

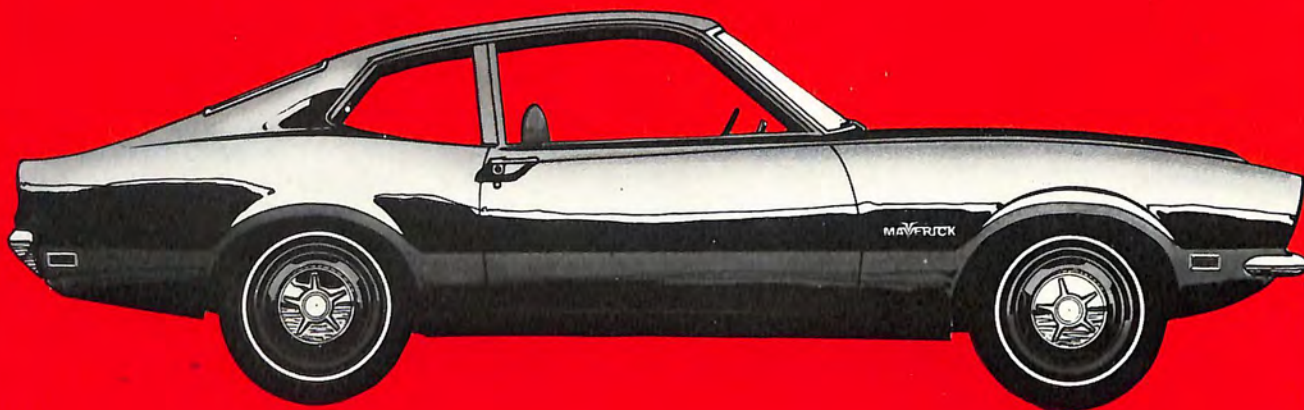
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Cincinnatians are tremendously proud of the great heritage which professional baseball has brought to our City. Through the Cincinnati Reds, baseball has become an integral part of our way of living in Cincinnati. We are grateful to baseball for the stimulation and growth which it has provided to our economy.

With the 1970 Season we launch a new era, for not only is baseball commencing its second century of service, but this year will see baseball move into the Cincinnati riverfront stadium. This should be an exciting experience for all of us.

All Cincinnatians join me in wishing the players, coaches, and management of the Reds a most successful season and our sincere hope that the new stadium will not only host the 1970 All Star Game but, also, the 1970 World Series.

Best regards,

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COVER—Photographer Bob Lynn captured the full force of Johnny Bench's swing in cover photo. For a complete story on Johnny Bench: A Portrait of Self Confidence, turn to page 14.

CROSLY FIELD CLOSE-OUT

Dawn of a New Era

By PAT HARMON

Sports Editor, Cincinnati Post & Times-Star

The Reds move to a new riverfront stadium this year, but Crosley Field won't be forgotten. For 58 years it has been the Reds' playfield. The events that happened there, and the stars of these events, will be an inspiration for the future.

The new stadium is on a 48-acre site in downtown Cincinnati. The Ohio River is on the south, Second Street on the north. East to west the boundaries are Broadway to Elm.

The actual stadium covers $8\frac{1}{2}$ acres. It is a circle with a diameter of 700 feet, four levels high, and every seat has an unobstructed view.

There is room for 50,000 baseball fans. On the immediate site is parking for 4500 cars, 75 buses, 100 taxi cabs. Another 20,000 spaces are in parking lots within 12 blocks.

The on-site parking includes a three-deck garage.

Four thousand seats are in a movable section on the third-base side for baseball.

The scoreboard is 20x180 feet, uses 24,000 lamps, and is fed by a computer. It gives scores, messages, and cartoons. A celebrity who comes through the gate may sign his name and have his picture taken. Within seconds the picture and his autograph can be flashed on the scoreboard.

The stadium has 10,000 tons of structural steel, 13,000 tons of reinforcing steel, and 175,000 cubic yards of concrete. The patrons are served by 16 escalators, four elevators, a Stadium Club, a restaurant, a picnic area, 50 rest rooms, a lighting plant with 1728 1000-watt multi-vapor lamps, and an AstroTurf playing surface.

The playing field is symmetrical. Each foul line is 330 feet from home plate and 375 feet down the power lanes. Center field is 404.

In Crosley Field, where the Reds will play through June 24, the left-field line is 328, right field 366, and center field 387.

The new stadium will open June 30, will be dedicated July 4, and will be the site of the All-Star Game July 14.

The present plant was opened on April 11, 1912, dedicated May 18



PAT HARMON



Scale model depicts Reds new 50,000-seat Riverfront Stadium home. Cincinnati will host Atlanta in official opening, Tuesday night, June 30.

the same year, and had All-Star games in 1938 and 1953. It began under the name of Redland Field.

Here, in chronological order, are some of the enduring stories of the present ball park at Western and Findlay:

April 11, 1912—The Reds beat the Cubs, 10-6, in the first game played in the new park. Attendance was 26,336. A grandstand seating 25,000 had been built. It is the same grandstand today with a few changes or additions. There has been a ball park at Findlay and Western since 1884.

One grandstand burned down in 1901. A new one in 1902 became the first Redland Field. It had ornate pillars and columns, a style copying the World Fair of 1892. Sports writers called it "the palace of the fans." Waiters roamed "rooters row," along the first and third base foul lines, selling beers, 12 for \$1.

May 18, 1912—Redland Field was dedicated. At the Wheel Cafe in downtown Cincinnati hangs a framed copy of the invitation for the day. It read: "The president and directors of the Cincinnati Exhibition Co., operating the Cincinnati Base Ball Club, request the honor of your presence at the dedication of Cincinnati's new Redland Field, Saturday, May 18, 1912, at 2 p.m."

Sept. 28, 1912—The Reds won 20 of their first 25 games in the new park but were fourth at the finish.

May 11, 1919—Hod Eller of the Reds pitched the first no-hitter in the park. He beat the Cubs using his "shine ball." Eller coated a side of the ball with paraffin, causing it to dip suddenly when it reached the plate. The "shine" was banned later.

Sept. 16, 1919—The Reds clinched their first pennant in the National League. Edd Roush, center fielder, was the league batting champion. He hit .321, three points more than Rogers Hornsby, and repeated the title he had won in 1917. Also popular was Heinie Groh, third baseman, who used the "bottle bat." It had a short handle, six inches, and a long, wide barrel, and weighed 41 ounces.

Redland Field, now known as Crosley Field, was officially dedicated on May 18, 1912. On hand for the ceremonies were (standing) Thomas J. Lynch, August (Garry) Herrmann, Robert Hedges and Harry L. Brehm. Seated are Ban Johnson, John K. Tener, Charles A. Comiskey and behind Comiskey, Thomas J. Cogan. Photo below right shows effect of January 1937 Mill Creek flood which placed Crosley Field home plate under 21 feet of water.



Oct., 1919—The Reds beat the Chicago White Sox, five games to three, in the World Series. The Series was a best five-out-of-nine in those days.

June 2, 1921—Pat Duncan, a Cincinnati outfielder, became the first man to hit a fair ball out of the park. This is a clue to the dead ball of the old days. The park was nine years old before this happened. But the lively ball changed all this. Eventually this park became the site of more home runs than any other.

July 27, 1921—Duncan's home run the preceding month had been over the left field wall. But no one had yet hit a ball over the center field fence or over the right field wall into the bleachers. Babe Ruth came to town for an exhibition with the Yankees and took care of both deficiencies. He hit first over center field, then 426 feet; then smashed one into the right field bleachers, 400 feet away. No one yet has ever hit a ball past the right field bleachers, which extends some 150 feet beyond the fence.

July 23, 1922—Edd Roush held out until this date. Then he signed and hit .352 the rest of the year.

Sept. 30, 1923—The Reds finished second two years in a row. For 1923 they had three pitchers who won 20 or more games. Dolf Luque won 27, Pete Donohue 21, and Eppa Rixey 20.

April 15, 1924—The Reds and Pirates drew 35,747, a record for a single game here.

Sept. 4, 1927—Rules allowed a home run if a ball hit in fair territory and bounced into the stands. Lloyd Waner of the Pittsburgh Pirates hit a ball that landed inside the foul line and popped into the stands for a homer. His brother Paul followed him. Paul hit a ball that landed almost in the same spot. It also bounced into the stands for a homer. The rule has since been changed.

July 4, 1929—Ray Kolp of the Reds heckled Hack Wilson of the Cubs, who was on first base. Wilson was so angry he left base and ran to the dugout to throw a punch at Kolp. Wilson neglected to call time out, and Chuck Dressen tagged him for an out. On the Cubs' return to Redland Field Aug. 25, the game drew 35,432.

1929—A major league game was broadcast on radio for the first time. The announcer was Bob Burdette of WLW.

Feb., 1934—The ground was laid for changing the name to Crosley Field, as Powel Crosley Jr. bought control of the club.

July 31, 1934—Dizzy Dean of St. Louis beat Tony Freitas of Cincinnati, 8-6, and both pitchers went the distance—18 innings.

May 24, 1935—Night baseball came to the major leagues, and the first game was played at Crosley Field. The lights were turned on by remote control. President Franklin D. Roosevelt pushed a button in the White House.

July 31, 1935—The figure isn't recorded, but this night the Reds probably set their real attendance record. An overflow crowd got into the park. Fans pushed their way onto the playing field and stood along the

foul lines. In the confusion a girl, Kitty Burke, grabbed a bat from Babe Herman of the Reds and went to the plate to face Paul Dean of the Cardinals. Ushers pulled her away, but she later went on vaudeville as "the only girl ever to bat in the major leagues."

Jan., 1937—The Mill Creek flooded Crosley Field and put home plate under 21 feet of water. Lee Grissom and Gene Schott, Reds pitchers, had their picture taken rowing a boat over center field.

April, 1938—Home plate was moved out 20 feet from the stands. And home runs began to fly.

June 11, 1938—Johnny Vander Meer of the Reds pitched a no-hitter. Four days later, in Brooklyn he pitched another and become the only man in history to have two in succession.

Sept., 1939—The Reds clinched their first pennant since 1919. They lost the World Series to the Yankees in four.

Sept., 1940—The Reds won another pennant and beat Detroit in seven in the Series.

April 17, 1945—This was the Reds' luckiest day. Apparently they were beaten by the Pirates, when Jim Russell hit a home run with Frank Zak on base. But the home run didn't count because Zak had called time just before the pitch. He wanted to tie his shoe lace. The Reds, saved by his goof, won in 11 innings, 7-6.

April 27, 1947—A double header with Pittsburgh drew 36,961, the park record.

Sept., 1961—The Reds whipped Los Angeles in a double header and went on to win their fourth pennant. They lost to the Yankees in the Series in five.

And that is the history of the present ball park. But a park is not all steel and concrete. It comes alive when fans are there, and they have heroes to root for. Redland Field, later Crosley Field, had its share.

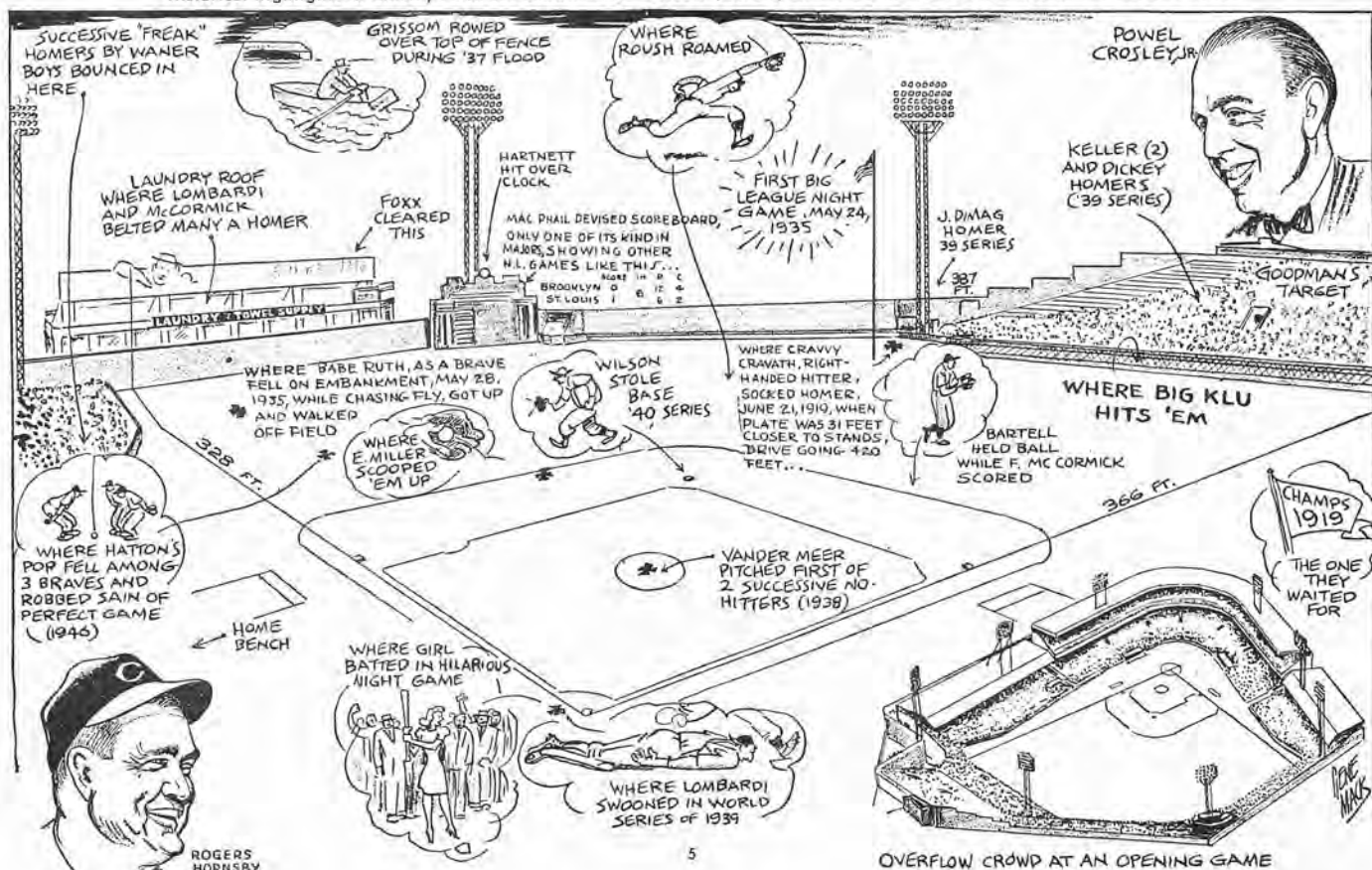
First there were Buck Herzog, Heinie Groh, and Joe Tinker. Then came Edd Roush. Next Eppa Rixey. In the middle pennant years, Ernie Lombardi, Ival Goodman, Bucky Walters, Paul Derringer, Frank McCormick, Bill Werber, and others. Then Ewell Blackwell, Ted Kluszewski, Gus Bell, Frank Robinson. And on to today's heroes.

Who will be the next heroes? Chances are, the heroes in the new stadium, after 58 years, will include some of the present Reds. For no other club has such a group of young stars. No one else has a two-time batting champion who is only 28 years old this year (Pete Rose) or an all-star catcher who is only 22 (John Bench.)

But who can forget the days in the old ball park? Days when the Reds were known as a great defensive team and suddenly, in 1956, they changed and hit 221 home runs to tie a league record for one season. One of the players' inspiration was a sign outside left field that said, "Hit this and win a Siebler suit." The sign went down five years ago, but Wally Post of the Reds already had won 11 suits, and Willie Mays of the Giants seven.

Those were the days, my friend.

Historical highlights at Crosley Field are shown in the cartoon (below) drawn by the late Gene Mack of the Boston Globe.



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SPARKY AND HIS GANG . . . Manager George (Sparky) Anderson poses with his coaching staff of (left to right) Ted Kluszewski, George Scherger, Larry Shepard and Alex Grammas.

SPARKY ANDERSON - - THAT'S WHO!

By RITTER COLLETT
Sports Editor, Dayton Journal Herald

When general manager Bob Howsam named George (Sparky) Anderson manager of the Cincinnati Reds last Oct. 8 there was a predictable reaction from large segments of the general public.

The wise guys asked with rising inflection in their voice—Sparky Who? With living legend Paul Brown running professional football in Cincinnati and all-time playing great Bob Cousy taking over the basketball Royals, anyone questioning the anonymity of the new baseball man had a built-in trigger for his quaint humor.

George Anderson took it in stride—not that he could do much else.

"I'm no household word," he admitted. "But everybody has to start some place and I'll tell you this, I'm the luckiest man in baseball to take over a team like this one."

It goes without saying that even those who asked Sparky Who are aware George Anderson has more baseball talent in hand than P. Brown and B. Cousy have in their respective sports.

But Sparky wishes them all well. "I hope we have all kinds of champions in my stay in Cincinnati," he says.

Right now, though, Sparky is concerned only with pinning down an elusive pennant with the talent-laden Reds.

"If we win, this team and the players on it will establish my reputation," he says.

"Pressure? Sure, I'm under pressure but nothing special from the fact I wasn't a great player and have very little Cincinnati background.

"I have to earn my way in this job and that's as it should be. But let's face something else—even if we win, people won't be coming out to the park to see me pop out of the dugout every now and then.

"People don't come out to see managers except in the rare case of a Casey Stengel or maybe a Leo Durocher," he adds.

But don't think for a minute Sparky is downgrading his chosen profession.

"Managing has been my ambition since I learned the hard way I couldn't hit big league pitching," he says.



RITTER COLLETT

That lesson was driven home in 1959 when he played second base for the Phillies in his one full season in the majors. He went to war against pitching in a rival uniform and his .218 average attests the pitchers won.

"Sparky used to try to think his way to base," says colorful Gene Freese, who roomed with him that year. "He'd have it all figured out how he'd get a couple of hits off whoever was pitching, but it never seemed to work out."

But Sparky could and did start planning his future career in baseball in which he didn't need to produce base hits.

"It was a matter of hanging on and waiting for a break," he says of the four years he spent in the minors before he became manager of the Toronto club in 1964.

Then it was to the bottom rung in the minors at such citadels of culture as Rock Hill, S. C., St. Petersburg, Fla., and Modesto, Calif. Each stop meant a pennant.

Bob Howsam had him in the Cardinal chain and gave him the Cincinnati club's Asheville, N. C., farm club in 1968. The result—another pennant, the fourth in four years. Then he donned a major league uniform again to coach third base at San Diego.

Now Sparky is ready for a whirl as the No. 1 man and a chance to prove himself as the youngest manager in the major leagues.

"I'm my own man," he insists. "I'll be managing my own way trying to utilize some of the things I've learned from other managers.

Sparky has his own idea of how he'd like the Reds to shape up—in terms of attitude.

"I want a ball club that reacts like a team. We'll train hard and we'll play hard but we'll try to have some fun. And the best way to do that is to win.

"I'd like the Reds to be confident, but a little humble. It's my feeling that a lot of the players in the majors today don't appreciate the privilege of playing in the big leagues. A fellow like myself has a better appreciation of it."

Sparky is anxious to get into the season.

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SPARKY ANDERSON

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People like Tony Perez, Pete Rose, Jim Maloney, John Bench, Jim Merritt, Tommy Helms, Gary Nolan, Jim McGlothlin and Wayne Granger have him excited.

There's a good chance a year from now people will know his name is spelled A-N-D-E-R-S-O-N.

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Within two weeks after he was named manager, Sparky Anderson had selected his entire coaching staff.

He picked LARRY SHEPARD as the pitching coach, ALEX GRAMMAS, the third base coach, TED KLUSZEWSKI as first base coach and rounded out the staff by naming veteran GEORGE SCHERGER as his fourth aide.

Anderson has definite assignments in mind for each of his coaches.

"It's Shep's job to handle the pitchers—period," said Anderson. The former minor league pitcher had served in a similar capacity with Philadelphia in 1967 prior to managing Pittsburgh the last two years. Shepard is credited with the development of pitchers Bob Veale, Rick Wise, Joe Gibson, Bob Moose and Steve Blass.

A member of the Reds from 1956-58, Grammas was third base coach for Pittsburgh the past five years.

"He knows the league and we feel he's the best man qualified for the tough third base post," continued Anderson. "Alex will also be in command of the infielders."

Kluszewski will double as the team's hitting instructor. Voted first baseman on the "Greatest Reds Ever" team last year, Klu had been a minor league hitting instructor for Cincinnati since mid-1968. He holds numerous Reds records including most home runs (49) and most RBI (141) in a season.

Scherger, a top fundamentalist, will handle the outfielders and remain on the bench with Anderson during the games. A former infielder, Scherger has been in baseball since 1940 and has managed in the minor leagues for 18 years.

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CAPTAIN ROSE

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By EARL LAWSON
Cincinnati Post & Times-Star

Gene Oliver, the burly Atlanta Braves catcher, was straddling the plate, his arms outstretched, awaiting the throw from the outfield as Pete Rose sped toward home.

Nearing the plate, Rose, making like an Olympic diver, went into his patented head-first slide.

Almost simultaneously Rose and the ball arrived at the plate. There was a cloud of dust. Then, the signal of the umpire—safe.

Spectators, wondering if their eyes had betrayed them, roared. Oliver, standing at the plate, shook his head in wonder as he gazed down upon the prostrate figure of Rose lying at his feet.



EARL LAWSON

"The guy's absolutely fearless," a still-awed Oliver later was to exclaim.

"Whoever heard of sliding into home plate head first? He's got to be crazy."

"Oliver had the plate blocked. I figured the only way I could reach the plate was to stick my hand between his legs," was the answer of a grinning Rose, his chin rubbed raw after a brush with the Brave catcher's shin guards.

But, that's Pete Rose. The Reds' all-star outfielder and two-time National League batting champion comes by his fierce competitive spirit naturally. The athletic feats of his father in Cincinnati semi-pro ranks are legendary.

"And," says a smiling Rose, "I like to believe that a little of him rubbed off onto me."

You saw that same infectious Rose smile, only much bigger this time, early last spring when Pete signed his 1970 contract, becoming the first \$100,000 ballplayer in the history of the Reds, baseball's first professional team.

"Yeah, tell me more," smirked the skeptics a few years back when Rose vowed he was going to become the first singles hitter to make \$100,000 a year.

Today, though, it's Rose who's having the last laugh. But silencing hecklers is nothing new for Pete.

Fans around the Sally League dubbed him "Hollywood" when he was burning up the base paths at Macon, Ga., in 1962.

But the louder the fans yelled the harder Rose ran. And, you get the idea he doesn't intend to slow down until he reaches the Hall of Fame in Cooperstown.

Rose took two giant strides toward that goal by putting National League batting titles back-to-back in 1968 and '69. He battled his way out of a late season slump to finish the 1968 season with a .335 mark and nosed out the Pittsburgh Pirates' Matty Alou in a down-to-the-wire duel.

In 1969, he staved off a late surge by the Pirates' Roberto Clemente to repeat as the loop's batting champ with a .348 mark.

"And, with AstroTurf covering the playing field of six National League parks this season, I'm predicting Pete will hit .370," is the bold statement of Sparky Anderson, who named Rose the Reds' team captain shortly after he, himself, was appointed manager of the club early last fall.

"Pete," said Anderson, "has attained the same stature of a Willie Mays and a Hank Aaron. He's the leader of this club."



LEADER OF THIS CLUB

"Any player," continued the Reds' rookie manager, "who gets 200 hits a year has got to be the leader. And I believe Rose should get the recognition he deserves."

Rose not only is the leader of the Reds, but he is also just about the most exciting player in baseball today.

"Even if I weren't in baseball, I'd happily pay my way into a ball park to see Rose play," is the glowing tribute paid Pete by Grover Resinger, the third base coach of the Detroit Tigers.

"Rose now is gaining attention for what he does, not how he does it," is the comment of Montreal manager Gene Mauch, who remembers the brash, young Rose of 1963, who, as a rookie second baseman with the Reds, fielded even the most routine of ground balls with a flourish.

Off the field as well as on it, Rose represents one of baseball's best advertisements.

He's as comfortable behind a mike as he is standing at the plate and his wit is as sharp as the line drives which shoot off his bat.

"It's a little strange sitting beside a professional blood donor," cracked Rose with a nod toward Wayne Granger during a banquet stop this winter.

The audience roared. Granger, the Reds' skinny right handed relief ace, didn't know whether to laugh or cry.

"Whoever heard of a super star with a crew cut?" was Granger's rejoinder when he took his turn behind the mike.

The crew cut is as much a Rose trademark as his daring head-first slide.

Beneath the thick thatch of black hair is an ever-smiling face, a barrel chest and a pair of muscular legs which never stop running.

"Rose is as hard as this," the late Fred Hutchinson once said as he fingered the iron supports of the batting cage at Tampa's Lopez Field. "Can he run?" asked a listener.

"Goes to first base in 4.1," was Hutch's answer. Then, smiling, he added, "But, of course, that's after he has drawn a base on balls."

This was the spring of 1963, Rose's first with the Reds. It was the spring, too, during which Whitey Ford and Mickey Mantle pinned the nickname of "Charlie Hustle" on Rose after watching the then rookie second baseman race almost to the right field fence in pursuit of a foul fly during a Reds' exhibition game with the New York Yankees.

The year before Rose had batted a rousing .330 for the Macon, Ga., farm club, prompting Hutchinson, then the Red manager, to remark, "If I had any guts, I'd stick the kid on second base and forget about him."

As it turned out, that's just what Hutch did. But, it didn't take guts. Because, Rose was the talk of the Reds' camp that spring of 1963 as he sprayed the outfield with hits while beating out veteran Don Blas-

ingame for the opening day second base position in the Reds' lineup.

No one who was there that spring will ever forget Rose's debut in the Reds' Grapefruit League home opener with the Chicago White Sox.

When the game with the White Sox started, Rose, along with other players not in the lineup, moved over to the second diamond to take batting practice.

An hour or so later Rose headed for the clubhouse.

"Why don't you stick around," suggested Mike Ryba, a manager in the Reds' farm system who was helping out in spring training. "The way this game is going you might see some action."

Rose took Ryba's advice and he has never regretted it.

In the ninth inning, as Ryba had predicted, Hutch, looking around the field, spotted Rose still in uniform and sent him into the game as a pinch runner for Wally Post.

In the 11th inning, Rose, making his first trip to the plate, doubled, but was stranded. In the 14th inning he again doubled and came home on a Don Pavletich single to give the Reds a 1-0 victory.

And, a star was born.

Rose wound up that 1963 season with a .273 batting average and the National League's rookie of the year award.

After Rose's average dipped to .269 the following season he went off to the Venezuelan Winter League determined to improve his hitting and fielding. And the .312 batting mark he compiled in 1965 told, better than words, just how successful he was.

"Shucks," said Rose, "a guy should hit better in the majors than the minors just because of the improved living and traveling conditions."

Rose was remembering his minor league days at Geneva, N. Y., Tampa, Fla., and Macon, Ga. . . . the overnight trips in station wagons with eight to a car.

"We slept sitting up in those days," said Pete, grinning.

"Sport coats in the minors? Forget it," laughed Rose. "And white shirts. Wear one and it'd be black at the end of a trip. It was strictly T-shirts in those days."

Today, Rose's suits are tailor-made. The shoes are alligator. There's a wife and two youngsters, Fawn and Pete Jr. And there's the luxurious home in suburban Cincinnati with silver bats hanging above the home's two fireplaces.

The scrawny 5-7, 140-pounder, who once frolicked on the Cincinnati sandlots and was snubbed by other major league clubs in the minor league draft after his first season in pro ball, has come a long way.

And, while it might sound trite, what else can one say but, "it couldn't have happened to a nicer or more deserving guy."

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Lee May

For the second straight year first baseman LEE MAY paced the Big Red Machine in home runs. As "The Sporting News" National League Rookie Player of the Year in 1967, Lee socked 12 home runs. In 1968 he upped the mark to 22. Last season the soft-spoken herculean challenged Wally Post's club record for most home runs by a righthanded batter—40, finishing just two shy at 38. The May home run barrage included six home runs in three consecutive games, tying a major league record. He homered twice in a game six times. The clutch clouting enabled May to win the Reds' "Decisive RBI" derby with a total of 15 game-winning deliveries. While his home run production was up, so was his RBI figures. He eclipsed the century mark in RBIs for the first time, finishing with a total of 110. May got off to the finest start of his career and was hitting .322 with 29 home runs by mid-July. The galloping getaway earned him a berth on the coveted N.L. All-Star team. A horrendous slump followed the mid-summer classic, but nonetheless, May weathered the storm to set career highs in games, at bats, runs, triples, home runs and runs batted in. In homering against each N.L. rival, he proved most productive against division champion Atlanta. The Birmingham, Ala., bopper swatted six home runs and drove in 20 runs off Braves pitching. His biggest thrill came in a July 15 doubleheader with the Braves when he powered two home runs and five RBIs in EACH game. In June, a committee comprised of Cincinnati sports writers and broadcasters, made May their unanimous choice for the Maurice Stokes Athlete of the Month Award. Lee spent the winter playing for San Juan of the Puerto Rican League. His brother, Carlos, is an outfielder with the Chicago White Sox.



A Visit with the President . . . Home run slugger Lee May shakes hands with President Richard Nixon at last year's All-Star game in Washington. President hosted team members and media at a special White House party.



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Johnny Bench : A Portrait of Self-Confidence

By JIM FERGUSON
Dayton Daily News

Johnny Bench doesn't claim the phrase "inner conceit" is original, but it fits his needs so well that the Cincinnati Reds' catcher has adopted it as a means of keeping him on top of his game. Bench staying on top of his game is the same as staying on top of the baseball world, for the young Oklahoman is regarded as the finest catcher in baseball.

"Inner conceit," John explains, "is a self-confidence kind of thing. It's knowing that you can do a certain thing, knowing within yourself you can meet any situation. A lot of young players lack that. It's really an air of confidence."

"It's really not conceit at all. I look at conceit as being when you have to tell people all the time for them to know what you've done. It's confidence that has grown to braggadocio. I hope I don't have that."

"But it's inner conceit that tells me, 'This guy can't steal off me, if he doesn't get too big of a jump. And if he gets too far off base, I'll pick him off.' I feel that a man taking a real big lead is trying to show me up, in a sense. It's the same with hitting. You have to feel that the pitcher can't get you out."

Although Bench is only 22 and with just two major league seasons behind him, he has already jammed a career-full of honors and distinctions into his baseball life.

He was the National League Rookie of the Year, twice named to the All-Star team (once as a starter), the Minor League Player of the Year and even had his uniform number retired at one minor league stop.

Despite all his success, John is still not far away from being a kid. He remembers that when people tell him how their kids idolize him.

"Sometimes I find that a little hard to comprehend," Bench admits, "but I know the feeling. It wasn't very long ago when I felt the same way about Mickey Mantle. That's why I try to do everything exactly right on the field, even during practice. It's like a ritual with me. I know some kids are sitting there in the stands watching me and when they get



JIM FERGUSON

back home with their own teams they're going to be trying to imitate exactly the way I'm doing things."

Some of those things keep changing, however, which means that baseball's best catcher is constantly seeking ways to improve himself.

"Going into this season, I know I have to improve my catching. The management thinks so and so do I. They're not really happy with my work behind the plate. I'm not being modest and I'm not knocking myself. Look, I'm not saying I'm a terrible catcher. I'm just saying there's room for improvement in handling pitchers, preventing wild pitches and pass balls, things like that."

"I don't care if you're a consistent leader in every area, which for me would be catching, throwing, handling pitchers and hitting. Even then there would be some things that some people might not like, something that can stand improvement, something that somebody else might be doing a little better."

"The big thing," Bench went on, "is examining your mistakes and making sure you never make the same one twice. You have to gain by mistakes. And to do that, you have to have a realization of what happened."

"There's never a time when you should feel that you can be anything but the best. Why should you let anybody say, 'He's a good catcher' or 'He's not bad.' You've got to do everything you can to make people say, 'He's the best catcher in baseball' or whatever it is you're trying to be."

"You can't stand still," Johnny says. "There's a saying that goes, 'If what you did yesterday seems big to you, you haven't don't enough today.' I don't know where I heard that, but I believe it."

It would be easy for Johnny Bench to sit back and relax on past laurels. He's been hearing, ever since he was 17, that he was one of those baseball prospects that "can't miss." The only problem with that is that spring training camps everywhere are populated with "can't miss" kids who somehow manage to miss.

"Everywhere I went, I kept hearing baseball people say that," Johnny admits. "I hated to think that there was any possible way I might let them down. I dreaded failure. I was scared and nervous, but I never had any doubts that I'd make it. I just had to have the chance to prove myself."

That came for Bench very quickly after he was the Reds' second round draft choice in June of 1965. The lad of 17 said goodbye to the little town of Binger, Okla., and reported to the Reds' Florida State League team at Tampa.

DEFENSIVE GEM . . . Cameraman Jack Klumpe recorded this sequence (below) showing Johnny Bench making a sensational catch of a foul pop last season. Umpire Chris Pelekoudas waits to make sure Bench retains ball before calling New York's Ron Swoboda out.





SOUVENIR MEMENTO . . . National League All-Star catcher Johnny Bench receives autographed baseball from Vice-President Spiro Agnew in pre-game ceremonies at mid-summer classic in Washington last year. Baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn (behind Agnew), Senators President Bob Short and American League catcher Bill Freehan of Detroit are the interested bystanders.

He arrived at the Tampa airport about 9 p.m. and went directly to the nearby ball park. Before the game was over, Johnny was in there catching. When he woke up the next morning, he learned that the team's only other catcher had been released and he was it.

Bench responded to that challenge so well that two years and two months later he was in a Reds' uniform at Crosley field, in the major leagues for good.

A quick trip, you say. Not for Johnny Bench it wasn't. "Working my way up through the minors was a slow process," he says. "It seemed like there were a lot of unnecessary things to have to go through."

Slow process? Well, there was that half-season at Tampa, most of a year at Peninsula in the Class A Carolina League in 1966, then Buffalo in the Class AAA International League in 1967 until August, when he reported to the Reds.

There are countless baseball players who have knocked around the bus circuits for years before finally getting a major league shot who would disagree that this is a slow trip. Bench readily concedes that now.

"I wasn't in the minors long, by most standards, but it seemed like a long time to me then. I was so eager to get up here and play. Now I know that I needed that time down there. Just the experience of playing in a lot of games was the big thing, the hitting, the catching—definitely the catching. The more you get behind that plate and play, the better you get."

Bench was no overnight sensation with the bat. He hit only .248 that first year at Tampa. But anybody who ever saw him throw a baseball had to be impressed.

"Whenever you've got Bench behind the plate," observed Don Zimmer, one of his minor league managers, "you sit there and hope the runners try to steal."

"Everytime Bench throws, everybody in baseball drools," agreed Harry Dalton, a Baltimore executive.

Late in 1968, Bench's rookie season, Dave Bristol was sitting in the Cincinnati dugout, watching his young star take batting practice. "Have you noticed," observed the Cincinnati manager, "how more people are talking now about Johnny's power than they are about his arm?"

That power began to appear at Peninsula, where Bench hit 22 homers and knocked in 68 runs in only 98 games, while hitting at a .294 pace.

The teenager was so popular there that when the call came from Cincinnati, promoting the catcher to Buffalo, the Peninsula team retired his uniform.

Baseball life had been a bed of roses for Bench up to that time, but fate quickly intervened. In his first inning of work with Buffalo, a foul tip smashed into Bench's thumb and he was through for the season.

Bench didn't realize how bad that fate was until a few weeks later. He returned to Oklahoma to heal and was involved in a head-on crash of two autos.

"I didn't know how badly I was hurt and I kept wondering whether I'd wind up a cripple," Bench recalls. "Luckily, a doctor was in a car behind me and he stopped to treat me until an ambulance arrived. They wound up taking 16 stitches in my head and 14 in my shoulder. And one of the doctors told me I'd have had a broken hip, for sure, if I hadn't been so big-boned and strong."

Any National league runner who has tried to score when Bench had the plate blocked can testify to his size and strength. Bench is a very solid 6-1, 200-pounder.

The injuries didn't prevent Bench from returning to baseball in 1967 for another highly productive season. His average fell to .259 at Buffalo, but his power remained—23 homers and 68 RBI, again in 98 games. He was hailed as the finest catcher prospect in the International League since Hall of Famer Roy Campanella.

Bristol, then the Reds' manager, was eager for a closer look at the young phenom and Bench was called to the parent club in August, 1967.

Johnny was immediately installed as the No. 1 catcher, despite the presence of three veterans—John Edwards, Don Pavletich and Jim Coker—on the roster. Bristol intended to have Bench catch every game the rest of the season.

Again, however, fate intervened and this time it had happy consequences. Bench certainly wasn't glad to have the foul tip mutilate his thumb again, but it did have a nice side-effect. It kept him from playing the last three games of the season. If Bench had gone to bat four more times, he would have lost his status as a rookie, since there is a limit of 90 at bats.

One year later, that status let Johnny become the National League's Rookie of the Year for 1968.

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JOHNNY BENCH (Continued from Page 15)

"It's funny how that injury gave me the chance to win. The thing that makes this award so precious," he said, "is that you only get one chance in your life to win it. Some of the other awards you could get several shots at if you stick around and have good years. It's especially a thrill for me. I've been doing some checking and I found out that no catcher ever won the award before."

There were more honors to come, of course. Bench had been on the All-Star team as a rookie, but in his sophomore season, last summer, he was voted to the starting lineup and was one of the National League's top performers, hitting one home run and being robbed of another by a sensational catch in his team's victory at Washington.

"Being selected means a lot to me. I'll never understand how any player can honestly say he prefers a three-day rest over a chance to play in the game," Bench said last summer. "Just think of what has happened to me in the last few days. I met the President of the United States, had a nice chat with the Vice-President and got to play in this great game."

Bench was described once as a kid who was born mature. He missed a lot of thrills that kids get growing up, because he was already in his profession at the tender age of 17. But now baseball is giving him those thrills.

There was the night in Montreal last year when he hit his first grand slam homer to win an extra-inning game. "I knew I hit it good," said John, his enthusiasm bubbling over in the clubhouse, "but I was all the way to first base before it dawned on me that the bases were loaded. When I squatted behind the plate in the bottom of the inning, I suddenly wondered whether I had touched all the bases."

One of John's top thrills, however, came from a kid's typical exploit. This was in the spring of 1969 and Bench asked a former baseball player to autograph a baseball.

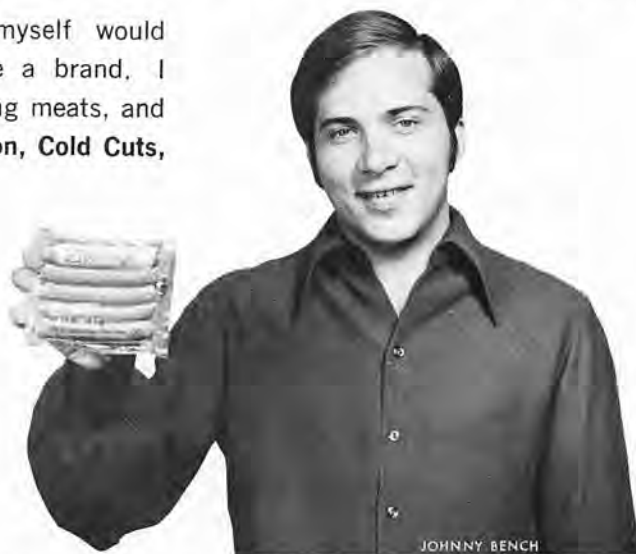
He wasn't quite prepared, however, for the inscription that came back from Ted Williams. The inscription read: "To Johnny, a Hall of Famer for sure."

That's the thing that Bench is hearing now. He's having his second go-round with that "can't miss" label. The people that formerly were saying he couldn't miss making it in the majors are now saying he can't miss the Hall of Fame.

"Sure, I read all these things that people are saying about me, but I know that I can't be a superstar in two years. Nobody can. No matter what anybody says or writes will change that. You have to wait 10 to 12 years and see what a man has accomplished."

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Tommy Helms

Talk to TOMMY HELMS about his baseball career of late but don't be surprised if his answers include a bit of medical terminology. Dating back to September, 1968, Helms has logged more duty in doctor's offices and hospitals than he has on the diamond. A first base collision with the Dodgers' Willie Davis that September resulted in a fractured left wrist for Tommy and curtailed his playing days for the final month of the season. A year ago last winter, Helms jammed the first two fingers of his left hand when he caught a basketball pass on the end of the fingers. This injury led to a frustrating spring training period in 1969 when he couldn't properly grip a bat. Just when things began looking up, Helms was cut down by an appendicitis attack at the All-Star break. No sooner had he returned to the line-up when he pulled a thigh muscle in his left leg. Despite the numerous adversities, Helms is a welcome sight in the Reds line-up. When he plays, the Reds do well. He's the holler guy on the infield. "He can make the double play as well as anyone in baseball—if not better," expressed Manager Sparky Anderson. Medical time off withstanding, the 1968 N.L. All-Star second baseman proved his worth by driving in eight game-winning runs in the hectic wild, wild National League West. During the final month of the season Helms was promoted to the second spot in the batting order and responded with a barrage of hits which netted a 10-game, season ending hit streak and a .336 average for the month. He was most productive against Division winner Atlanta, collecting eight of his 40 RBI's against the Braves. The dapper dressing North Carolinian deserted bachelor ranks last winter when he married lovely Rita Johnson of Manhattan Beach, Calif.



Tommy and pert bride, Rita, spend winter evening enjoying basketball game in hometown, Charlotte, N. C.



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Jim Merritt

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Jim Merritt, the Reds' winningest pitcher in 1969, makes final delivery and receives congratulations from batterymate Johnny Bench in completing a two-hit, 5-to-0 win over San Diego. It took Merritt an hour and 41 minutes to dispose of Padres last June 23.



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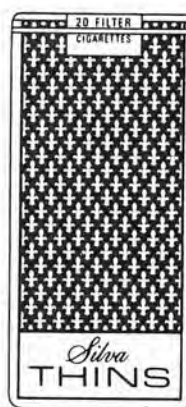
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his best against the top contenders. He was undefeated in five decisions vs. Atlanta and San Francisco, the one-two finishers in the N.L. West. A year ago when St. Louis won the pennant, Maloney sported a 3-0 record against the Cards (he has since increased it to 5-0). At the All-Star break he showed a modest 4-2 record. Working regularly during the stretch run, Maloney posted an 8-3 log, including five victories in six September decisions. It was reminiscent of his performance the preceding year during the same month when he compiled an identical record, including the final three outings via the shutout route. He now needs only two more shutouts to tie the club record of 32 set by Bucky Walters. Pitching before the home-town folks Maloney has been nothing short of sensational. Last year he had an 8-1 record (1.70 ERA) to improve his lifetime Crosley Field mark to 75-30, a .714 percentage.



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Wayne Granger

The "Big Red Machine" may have played havoc with National League opponents last year, but when you talk about the success of the Cincinnati Reds, the conversation isn't complete without describing the magnificent performance of relief specialist WAYNE GRANGER. To be sure Granger is human. For a period just before the All-Star break, Wayne worked in four games (four innings) and allowed 13 runs while watching his earned run average balloon to 3.92. However, when the going got tough down the pennant stretch, the lanky sidwinding righthander was downright devastating. During one stretch from August 26 to Sept. 16, Granger pitched 14 times, worked 22 innings, didn't allow a run (11 hits), won once and saved seven other games while reducing his ERA below 3.00. His post All-Star game stats reveal he worked 40 games, had a 6-2 record, 15

saves, and a 1.50 ERA. A World Series participant in 1968 with the St. Louis Cardinals, Granger joined the Reds with Bobby Tolan in the Vada Pinson trade. In a key two-night doubleheader against San Francisco, Sept. 8, Granger was absolutely sensational. The Giants had scored once in the ninth at Crosley Field to reduce the Reds lead to 5-4. San Francisco had runners on first and third with no outs when Granger relieved Jim Maloney. Wayne got Ken Henderson on a line drive to left with the runners holding, then induced Ron Hunt to hit into a game-ending double play. In the nitecap, all he did was pitch eight scoreless innings of relief, allowing only three hits, while the Reds won a 5 to 4 thriller in 15 innings. The 26-year-old native of Springfield, Mass., set a major league record for most games pitched—90. "Everywhere I played, somebody helped me," said the well-poised Granger. "Warren Spahn helped me a lot. He taught me about thinking while pitching. He was a tremendous concentration pitcher, and he helped me a lot with my concentration. I realized I didn't throw hard enough to throw it past these major league hitters, so I started experimenting throwing sidearm and I found I had a pretty good sinker." The sinker aided Granger to 27 "saves" last season and coupled with nine victories, gave Wayne the N.L. Fireman of the Year award as selected by "The Sporting News." The Cincinnati chapter of the Baseball Writers Association had little difficulty when they unanimously voted Granger as the Reds' most outstanding pitcher for the '69 season.

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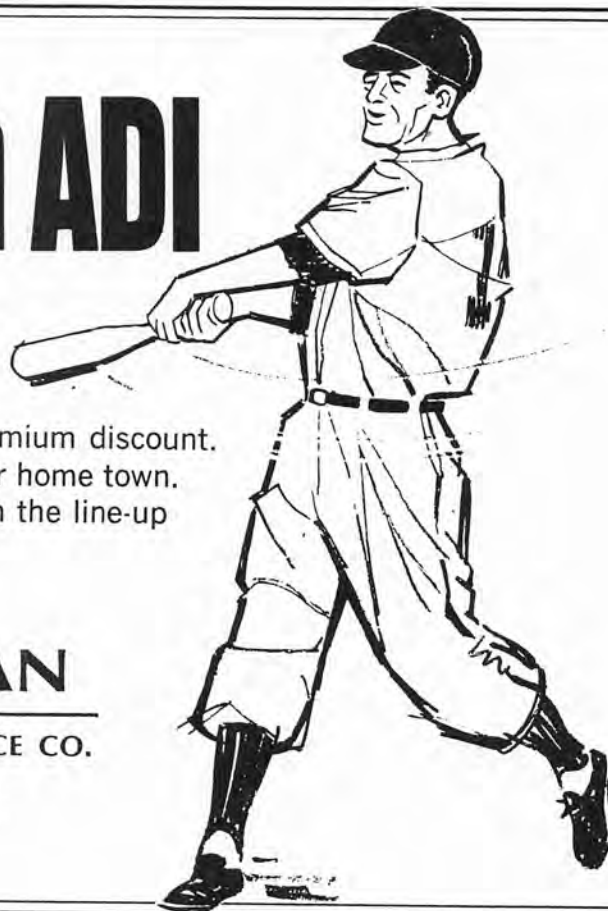
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Woody Woodward

With some people, opportunity knocks only once. Not so for WOODY WOODWARD. A year ago the Reds sent Leo Cardenas to Minnesota for Jim Merritt and at the same time, announced Woodward would be Cincinnati's starting shortstop. Sure enough, on Opening Day, Woodward was listed in the line-up. However, a few days later, he jammed his left thumb while diving in a vain attempt to stop a Willie Mays line drive. By the time the injured digit healed, rookie Darrel Chaney had taken over and was doing a yeoman-like job. Back to the bench went Woodward. When Chaney slipped, Chico Ruiz was inserted at short and it looked like Woodward would remain a reserve. It was at this point the second chance occurred. At All-Star intermission Tommy Helms was cut down by an appendicitis attack which resulted in a couple of player maneuvers. Ruiz was moved to second and Woodward inserted at short. Fate had dealt a helping hand and Woodward took advantage of it. He went on a torrid hitting spree to hike his average from .129 to a high of .322 before leveling off. During this streak he hit safely in 10 of 11 games. Woody's defensive play corresponded to his timely hitting and the resultant performance kept the Reds in the thick of the wild N.L. West battle. It also gave cause to dust off and examine the Woodward history books. For some inexplicable reason Woodward has never had a permanent job since signing a bonus contract for more than \$50,000 with Milwaukee in 1963. True, he batted 400-plus times in both 1966 and '67. And yes, he hit .264 in '66 and led N.L. second basemen in fielding in '67, but nonetheless, he was denied a regular's role. So it isn't surprising the mild mannered cousin of actress Joanne Woodward, working on his masters degree at Florida State University, isn't letting last year's strong finish lull him into a false sense of job security. Woody hit .281 down the pennant stretch (210-59) compared to .129 (31-4) prior to the All-Star break. He has thrived on New York pitching the past two years. In 1968 Woody hit .310 (29-9) against the Mets while last season he launched his second-half batting spurge against the World Champs. He wound up with a .333 average (27-9) off Tom Seaver, Jerry Koosman and Company. The well-respected 27-year-old former All-American at FSU, repaid his alma mater by donating approximately \$5000 of his bonus to the University to buy lights for the baseball diamond. It was a typical Woodward gesture and one that proved Reds teammates knew what they were doing when they elected Woody their player representative.



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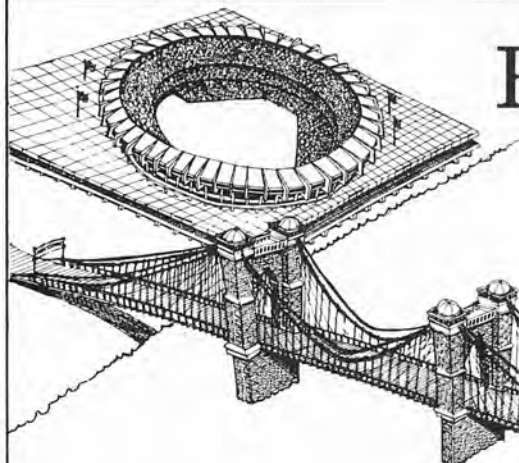
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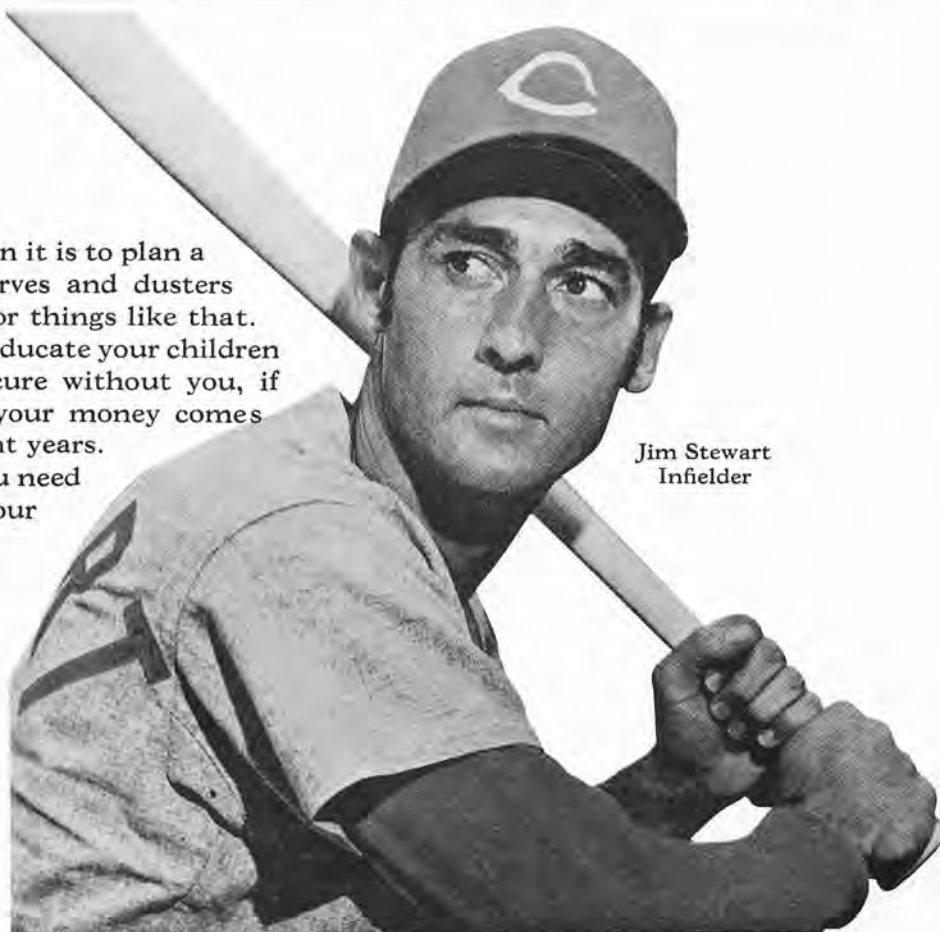
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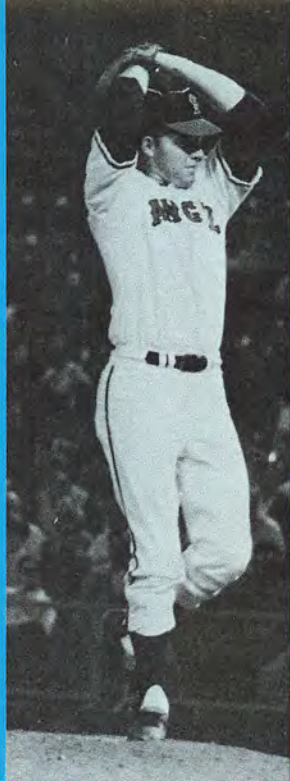
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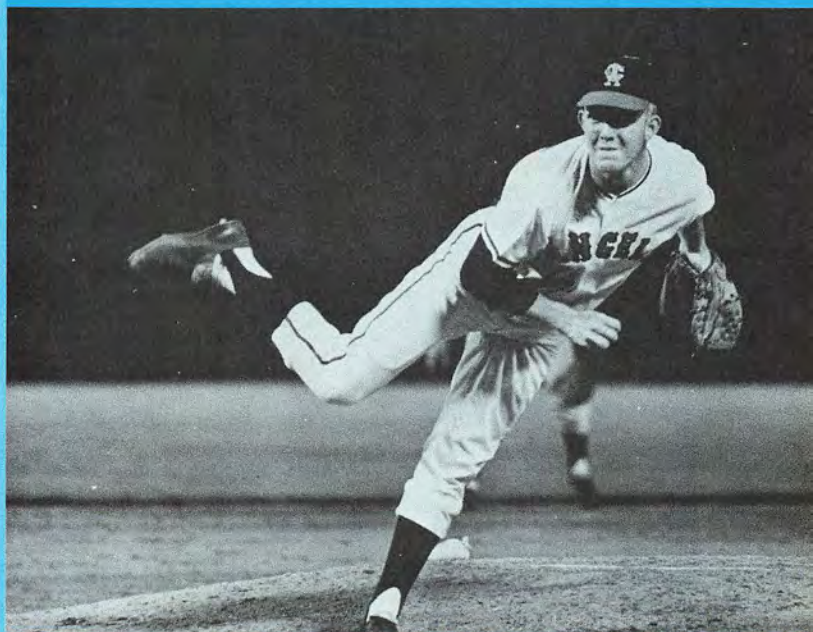


Jim Stewart
Infielder



Jim McGlothlin

It was last spring and JIM MCGLOTHLIN was at the California Angels training camp reflecting on his baseball career. "You know," said Jim, "I feel I have a chance to realize my ambitions. One of them was to pitch in an All-Star game. The other two were to start an opener and pitch in a World Series." He accomplished the first feat in 1967 by pitching two near perfect innings in the mid-summer classic. While he'd just as soon not think about it, McGlothlin reached goal No. 2 in last season's American League lid-lifter, getting the starting assignment against Seattle (the Pilots won the game, 4-3). Now that he's a member of the Reds along with Vern Geishert and Pedro Borbon in exchange for Alex Johnson and Chico Ruiz, McGlothlin feels the odds are in his favor of gaining an opportunity to pitch in a World Series. "A fresh start is just what I need. My arm feels fine and I'm joining a club that produces runs. There won't be the pressure pitching for the Reds that there was pitching for the Angels," stated McGlothlin. At 26, the red-haired, freckle-faced righthander has averaged more than 200 innings pitched the last three years. He put together his best all-around season in '67 by posting a 12-8 record, tying for the A.L. lead with six shutouts and finishing with a 2.97 ERA. During the same year, McGlothlin set a pair of Angels' records by hurling 36 consecutive shutout innings and three straight shutouts from May 22 to June 11. While the last two years resulted in sub-.500 performances, Jim's ex-boss Angel General Manager Dick Walsh, discounts the record. "We just didn't hit. With the hitting the Reds have, I feel McGlothlin will win at least 15 games this year." As Walsh explained the trade, "We had to have a hitter (Johnson) and we gave up our second best pitcher, McGlothlin, and our fifth best, Geishert, to get one. It's that simple."

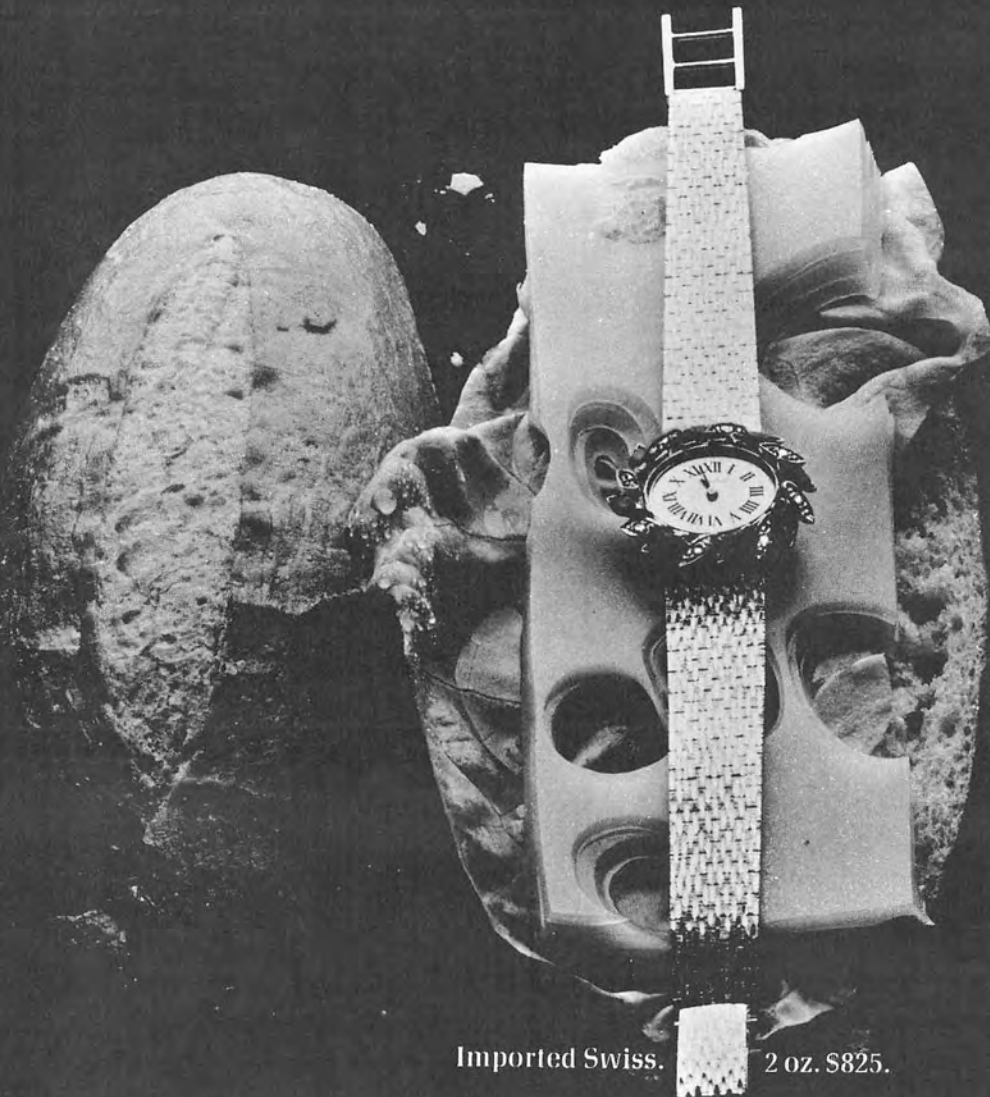


Former Red pitcher Roger Craig, DAVE CONCEPCION'S manager at Aragua last winter, labels the lanky shortstop with a "can't miss" tag. Chief Bender, Director of Player Personnel says "Here's a name to remember. This youngster from Venezuela has played pro ball only a couple of years, but you're going to hear from him in the very near future." Vern Rapp, the Indianapolis skipper who had Concepcion during the latter part of 1969 feels the same way. "He just keeps getting better and better each game, no matter what position he plays. He's a good base runner, has a good arm and makes good contact at the plate," concluded Rapp. Despite the praise, Manager Sparky Anderson has adopted a "wait and see" attitude and will evaluate Concepcion's performance along with those of Frank Duffy, Darrel Chaney and incumbent Woody Woodward before reaching a final decision on the Reds shortstop position. The unheralded 21-year-old Dominican, had made a meteoric rise in his two pro seasons. A good fielding, light hitting performer at Tampa in 1968, Concepcion wound up with a .234 average. He started last year at Asheville in much the same manner. Then came a turnabout. Base hits began to fall in, the fielding continued par excellence and before long, Concepcion's average soared to .294. With Indianapolis losing several infielders to the military, Dave was advanced to the Reds' top minor league affiliate. He continued his sharp hitting, ending the season with a .341 mark and a promotion to the Reds roster.



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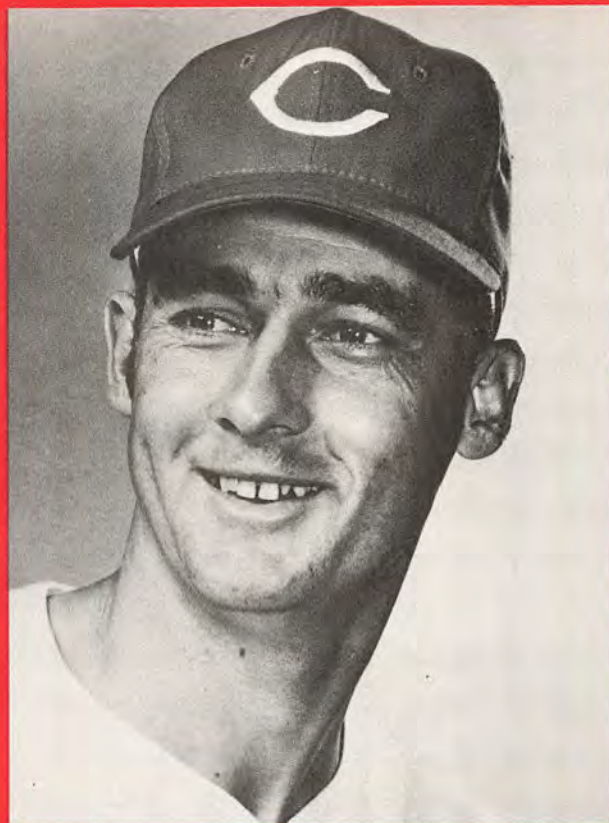
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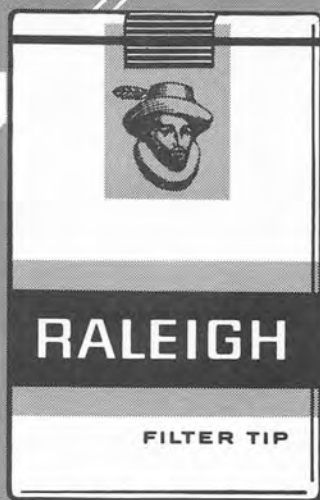
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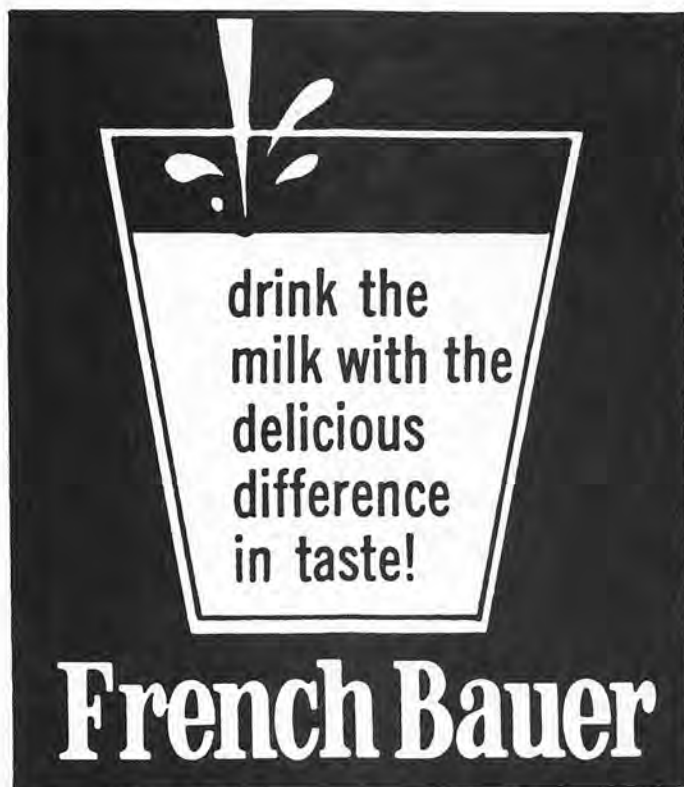
Jim Stewart

"Let me put it to you this way," said JIMMY STEWART. "Pinch hitting is a tough job. You're coming up there cold off the bench and the game often is on the line. But that adds incentive. You bear down more. I've always enjoyed being put on the spot. I've just never had success like I had in 1969." For nine years the gregarious Stewart has played professional baseball and the Cincinnati Reds represent the ninth team he has been associated with. A \$25,000 selection from Hawaii in the 1968 winter draft, the former basketball captain at Austin Peay State University proved to be a real bargain. Stewart had previous experience with both Chicago clubs, but never came close to contributing to either Windy City team in the manner he has for the Reds. Referred to as "Super Sub" by his teammates, Stew played six positions—second base, third base, short-stop and all three outfield posts. He was used as a pinch runner, a pinch hitter, a bench jockey supreme and even helped the equipment manager from time to time. He was the team's most consistent pinch hitter and connected for the Reds' first pinch hit home run in two years. Stewart twice played the role of villain against his former Chicago mates. He pinch singled and scored the winning run in one game and gained the Reds a 5-5 tie with a run-scoring pinch hit in another game (called by rain). Against Pittsburgh he collected three hits and stole a base to account for three Reds runs in a 5 to 3 victory. However, it was July 16 at Crosley Field which Stewart remembers best. Starting in left field against Atlanta, Jimmy singled, homered twice and walked in his first four at bats to drive in five runs and help the Reds to a 10 to 7 win. Stewart's four home runs last season more than doubled his previous lifetime total. Last winter Stewart remained in Cincinnati where he doubled as a public relations representative for the SCM-Allied Egry Corp. and at forward for the Reds basketball team.



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One of the problems confronting freshman manager Sparky Anderson is to find a replacement for leftfielder Alex Johnson, traded to the California Angels. Cincinnati has at least a half-dozen candidates available, but the one with perhaps the most potential is left-handed power hitter **BERNIE CARBO**. The Reds' top draft choice in the summer of 1965, Carbo is no stranger to Anderson. In fact, he began to blossom under Sparky's tutelage at Asheville in 1968. The Westland, Michigan resident socked 20 home runs, drove in 66 runs and hit .281 for the pennant-winning Tourists. Elevated to Indianapolis last season, Carbo responded by leading the league in hitting and being selected the Most Valuable Player in the American Association. Bernie hit .359 and also topped the circuit with 37 two base hits. Included in his total of 145 hits were a career high 21 home runs that helped produce 76 RBI's. "He's the best two-strike hitter in the league," raved Indianapolis Manager Vern Rapp. "He hits lefthanders as well as righthanders. With the right handling, he could be a super star." The 22-year-old former third baseman possesses a strong throwing arm. He was an All-Star infielder with Peninsula in 1966. Since his rookie season at Tampa, Carbo has shown improvement playing in higher classification each year with the exception of 1967. A late release from the military nullified spring training and Carbo was only able to play a portion of the '67 campaign. In an effort to keep his timing sharp and enhance his chances of earning a regular's role, Bernie played winter ball at Ponce, Puerto Rico. He led the league in RBI and finished with a .283 average.

In case there are any doubts whether **HAL McRAE's** right leg has healed, let the record speak for itself. Playing everyday in the Florida Instructional League last winter, McRae wound up hitting .369 to finish second in the Southern Division batting derby. More important, however, was his four stolen bases in four attempts. It will be remembered that McRae was the highly touted rookie second baseman who hit well over .300 for the Reds in the spring of 1968. Sent to Indianapolis, McRae earned a berth on the Class "AAA" West squad by proving to be a one-man offense for the Indians. His .295 average included 58 extra base hits. With Tommy Helms a permanent fixture at second, Reds brass instructed McRae to try the outfield and sent him to San Juan, Puerto Rico for the 1968 winter schedule. The experiment fizzled after several games when Hal broke his right leg sliding into home plate. The 23-year-old Florida native worked diligently last spring and continued the rehabilitation program at Indianapolis during the season. He was used solely as the designated pinch-hitter by the Indians and while he didn't play much, the hard work allowed him to return to daily play last winter. McRae made his major league debut in July of '68, subbing for the military bound Helms. Hal wasn't the least bit awed as evidenced by a pair of hits off San Francisco's Gaylord Perry in his first game. Back for a second chance, he'll be battling Bernie Carbo, Angel Bravo and several others for a starting berth in left field for 1970.

The idea of hero-worshipping is nothing new to youngsters. So it isn't surprising that **ANGEL BRAVO**, the Reds speedy winter acquisition from the Chicago White Sox, adopted one in Luis Aparicio. After all, the two are fellow countrymen from Venezuela; Bravo did play five years on the same team with Aparicio at Caracas and it was Aparicio that signed Bravo to his first contract with the White Sox. Built along the lines of Pittsburgh's Matty Alou, the left-handed hitting Bravo is a similar type player. A line drive spray hitter who beats out numerous infield hits, Bravo led the Pacific Coast League in hitting at Tucson last year. His .342 average included a league-leading 16 triples plus 28 stolen bases. He is a two-time base stealing champion, having pilfered 62 at Clinton to top the Midwest League in 1964 and 24 at Evansville in '67, the best mark in the Southern League. In 60 games at Guaira, Venezuela in '67 (playing for Manager Aparicio), Angel stole 33 bases. Bravo had never enjoyed a .300 average in six previous campaigns prior to 1969. He credits White Sox minor league batting instructor Grover (Deacon) Jones with teaching him how to choke the bat so he could use it effectively against all types of pitching. The Chisox recalled Bravo last year and the rookie responded with a .289 average in 27 games. In trading Gerry Arrigo to Chicago, the Reds feel they have obtained a potential left field candidate who can also be used for pinch hitting or pinch running duties. Bravo was named professional player of the year for 1969 by the Venezuelan baseball writers. He edged Aparicio and Cesar Tovar in the balloting.

For **DARREL CHANEY** the 1969 season brought about the normal frustrations that beset a rookie. First, the challenge of making the club in spring training. Next, the outside chance of playing regularly and finally, being able to contribute toward a winning cause. In chronological order, Chaney enjoyed a fine spring, hitting in the high .280s. Veteran Woody Woodward, Darrel's roommate, earned starting honors at shortstop Opening Day, but it wasn't long before Chaney received his big opportunity. Woodward injured his right hand early in the season and the Reds gave Chaney his chance. Darrel made the most of it. The soft-spoken youngster showed fine range defensively and while his hitting wasn't impressive, it was adequate. During a two-week stretch, he hit .314 with four extra-base hits and four runs batted in. He remained the Reds shortstop thru the All-Star break, and at 22, promises to be a member of the Cincinnati cast for many years. Chaney earned a major league trial by virtue of a barrage of extra-base hits at Asheville in 1968. Playing for Manager Sparky Anderson, then skipper of the pennant-winning Tourists, Chaney collected 21 doubles, seven triples and connected for 23 home runs. Reds brass feel the former four-sport performer at Oliver Morton High School (Hammond, Ind.) gained enough confidence after facing the National League's top pitchers to show a major improvement during the '70 campaign. Chaney, a quarterback on the 1966 All-American High School football team, spurned 35 football scholarship offers to launch a career in pro baseball. The switch-hitting infielder played baseball in the Puerto Rican League last winter.



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Talk to Manager Sparky Anderson about WAYNE SIMPSON and immediately the Reds skipper's face lights up. "I had him at Asheville in 1968 and I've never seen a pitcher improve so much as quickly—more than 100 per cent, I'd say." Anderson was referring to a winter tour of the Puerto Rican League where he had seen Simpson toss a three-hit shutout. "He's the best pitcher in the league," said Simpson's Ponce Manager Jim Fregosi. "His control has been outstanding." And therein lies the key to Simpson's future—C-O-N-T-R-O-L. In his first three years since signing as the Reds' No. 1 draft pick in the summer of 1967, Simpson has been hampered by control problems, leading the league in walks issued in each of the first two seasons. However, toward the latter portion of the 1969 American Association season at Indianapolis, Simpson began making the pitches go where he wanted them. Slowly the confidence began to build. Then, at Ponce, Simpson was able to put it all together "The fans down there loved Wayne," said Anderson, "and he got a taste of what it'll be like to be a star in the major leagues. That's good." Simpson tied the league record with seven shutouts, posted the most wins (11), completed 13 of 18 starts and had a 1.49 ERA. He was a unanimous choice as pitcher of the year. The hard-throwing former Centennial High School (Compton, Calif.) athlete has a fast ball that breaks two ways according to Anderson. "When he throws it from the waist down, it sinks," said the Reds' pilot. "When he throws it above the waist, it rises." Despite his lack of experience, Simpson stories have been bandied about for the past few years. He spurned more than 25 football scholarship offers to sign with the Reds. As a prep he once tossed (and completed) a 90-yard pass—in the air. He has also been clocked in the 100-yard dash from 9.6 to 9.8. Anderson isn't the only Simpson booster. General Manager Bob Howsam visited the agile athlete last winter and returned with rave reports, too. One of the Reds super sleuths, Ray Shore is convinced Simpson is for real. "He has good aptitude and if his control remains the way it has lately, he'll definitely be an asset to the Reds," said Shore. Simpson came within a hair of ending his career while pitching for Asheville. In a game at Savannah, Ga., a Savannah batter lashed a line drive which hit Wayne on the cheekbone below his right eye. It split the skin apart on his cheek and doctors felt if Simpson had been wearing glasses instead of contact lenses, he might have lost an eye. At Indianapolis last year Simpson reached a career high in strikeouts, whiffing 120 batters in 162 innings pitched.



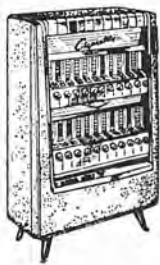
Wayne Simpson



Ray Washburn

When RAY WASHBURN was apprised of the fact he had been traded from St. Louis to Cincinnati for George Culver, he remarked, "I believe that I can help the Reds if I can pitch as well as I did last year." Now that's all well and good until you look at Washburn's record, which was 3-8 with a 3.07 earned run average. But the possessor of a BA degree in history and physical education from Whitworth College (Spokane, Wash.) knew what he was talking about. Unfortunately for Ray, the Cardinals never got untracked last season. They didn't come up with the clutch hit and didn't make the key defensive play when it was needed. All this convinced Washburn he pitched well enough to have been a winning pitcher. In three of his first four losses, the scores were 2-3, 0-1 and 1-2. After a dozen starts, Washburn averaged seven innings pitched per game and had a 2.81 ERA, but his won-lost log read 2-7. Small wonder he was delighted to join a heavy-hitting team like the Reds. It was also an influencing factor for Reds Executive Vice President and General Manager Bob Howsam in consummating the trade. Howsam reasoned Washburn is the type of pitcher who has the great faculty of keeping a club in the game. He obviously figured with the Reds hitting, the ultimate results should be most gratifying. A confident and tough competitor, Washburn's career has been sprinkled with success and tragedy. The \$50,000 bonus baby had an impressive debut with St. Louis in 1961, then posted a 12-9 record in his first full season the following year. In 1963, he reeled off five-straight complete game victories in a great getaway before a shoulder muscle tear played havoc with his career for the next few years. Sent down to Tulsa, Washburn began the slow process of nursing his arm back to health. A steadfast determination and guttiness, an integral part of the Washburn makeup, enabled Ray to bounce back and help the Cards to a pennant with some late season victories in '64. Prior to last season he enjoyed three successive winning years registering an over-all 35-24 record. He has been at his best against New York, winning 11 of 14 lifetime decisions against the World Champions. Pitching a World Series victory over Detroit and authoring a no-hitter vs. San Francisco were two more stellar achievements for the deliberate worker. The 2 to 0 no-hitter over the Giants, Sept. 18, 1968 at San Francisco, was the first no-hitter by a Cardinal pitcher in 27 years. "It was one of those days when everything fell into place. It certainly was a big thrill, but not as big as playing on three pennant winners," said Ray. He put together his best year in '68 by compiling a 14-8 record, four shutouts and a 2.26 ERA in 215 innings. "And," said Washburn, "My arm is better now than it was in 1968."

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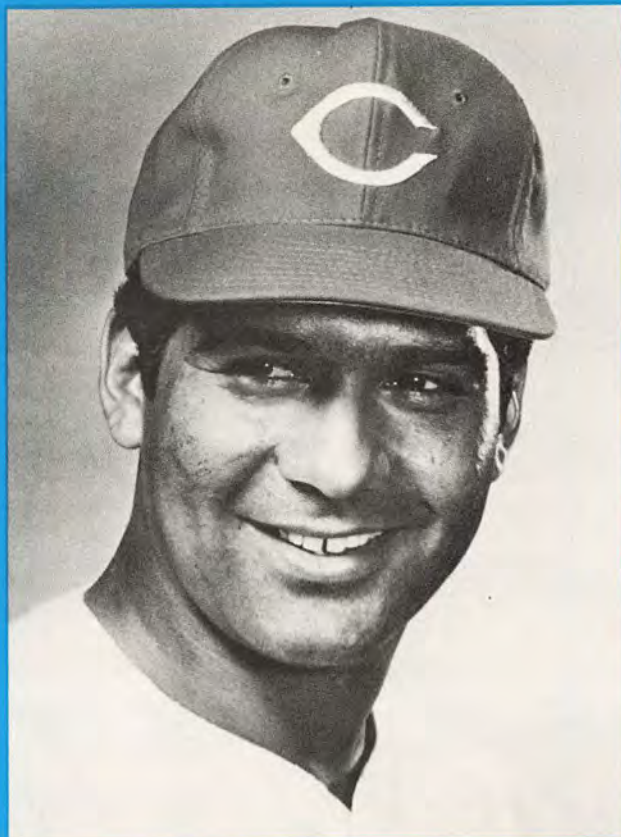
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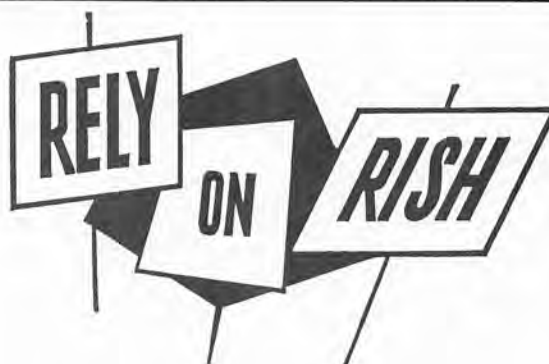
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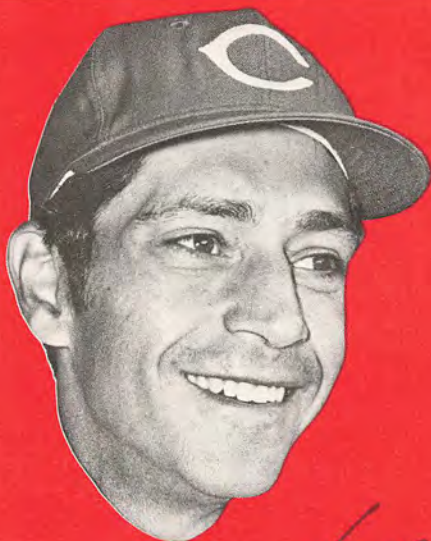
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Strikeout artist **DON GULLETT**, the Reds' No. 1 draft choice last summer from Lynn, Ky., made the same type of impression in his professional debut as he did as a prep at McKell High School (Ky.). Gullett pitched Sioux Falls to a three-hit, 4-1, complete game victory over Winnipeg in the Northern League opener, striking out nine in the seven inning contest. The stylish southpaw wound up with six complete games in 11 starts, a 7-2 record, 87 strikeouts in 78 innings pitched and a league-leading 1.96 ERA. Reds brass feel experience is the only thing standing between Gullett and eventual major league stardom. Scouting supervisor Cliff Alexander, who helped sign Gullett, likens him to Sandy Koufax at a comparable age. The 19-year-old phenom carved an incredible record as a prep. In his senior year, he was 9-2 with 120 strikeouts in 52 innings pitched. He tossed one perfect game, setting down 20 of the 21 hitters on strikeouts. Gullett led Kentucky high school scorers as a halfback, totaling 248 points in 13 games. In one game, he scored 72 POINTS on 11 touchdowns and six conversions. And, just to complete his athletic domination, Don also hit for a 25-point average as a guard on the basketball team.



Don Gullett



Bo Belinsky

An impressive 12-5 record at Hawaii and 15 strikeouts in 18 innings pitched for Pittsburgh last year, convinced Cincinnati **BO BELINSKY** was deserving of another major league trial. The colorful lefthander was extended an invitation to train with the Reds this spring and his subsequent performance earned a berth for Bo on the roster. Belinsky's career includes major league stops at Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Houston, St. Louis and Pittsburgh. He became an over-night drawing card in southern California following a no-hit, no-run victory over Baltimore, May 5, 1962. Bo won nine more games for the expansionist Angels the same year and was adopted by the Hollywood glamour set. He worked in several movies and network television programs. With the exception of a 9-8 record with Los Angeles in 1964, Belinsky didn't enjoy another winning year until '69. Now a mature 33, Belinsky is married and has a daughter. With Hawaii (his winter residence) in 1968, Bo pitched another no-hitter, defeating Tacoma. Belinsky posted a 5-2 record and a 2.60 ERA pitching for Aguilas (Dominican League) last winter.

When **TONY CLONINGER** is right, he's nigh invincible. In his first six victories last season, Cloninger pitched two shutouts and held the opposition to two runs-or-less in the other four starts. Unfortunately from both the Reds and Cloninger's viewpoint, he was wrong more times than he was right with control proving to be the culprit. No pitcher tries harder or has a stronger desire to win than Cloninger. "It's a matter of self-control," says Tony. "I get out there and get in trouble and I'm mad at myself. So then I'm overthrowing the ball. I've got to throw it past everybody. Whit Wyatt (Cloninger's pitching coach with the Braves) used to tell me there are only two or three times in a game when you really have to be a pitcher. The difference between winning and losing is whether you can make the pitches right then." Despite an erratic season, Cloninger made the 'right' pitches often enough to register 11 wins, the fourth time in his career he has recorded victories in double figures. Highlight of the season occurred last September 15 at Los Angeles. Tony set down the Dodgers on six hits to post a 4 to 1 victory and gain his 100th lifetime win. A notoriously slow starter, Cloninger won seven of 13 decisions during the final three months of the season. He has proven somewhat of a nemesis to Philadelphia. In the past six years, Tony has notched 14 victories in 17 decisions from the Phillies.



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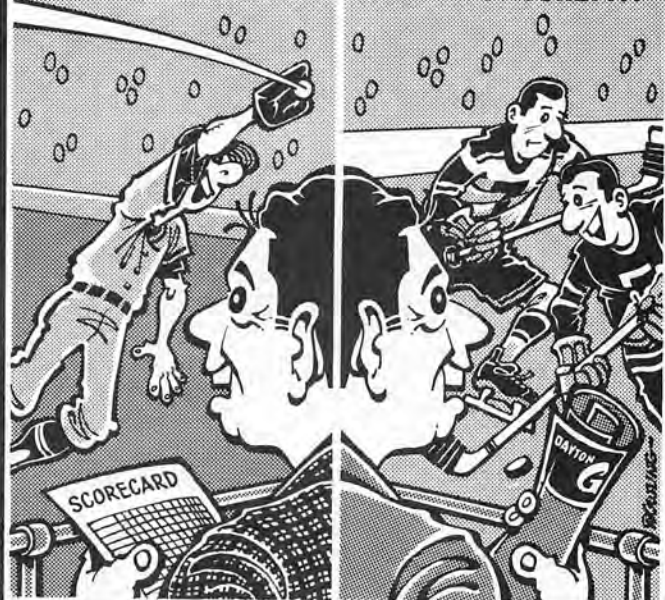


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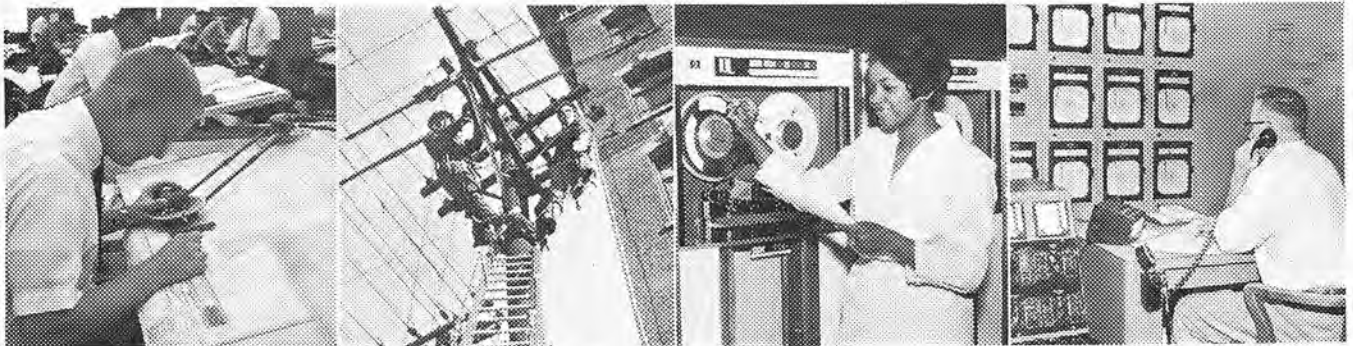
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THE SAGA OF BOB HOWSAM

By SI BURICK

Dayton Daily News Sports Editor

As big league wheelers and dealers go, Robert Lee Howsam, vice-president and general manager of the Reds, is a relative neophyte. Behind him are only six-and-a-fraction seasons as an executive on the major league baseball level.

In that short span of time, Howsam, working first for St. Louis and then for Cincinnati, has picked up a reputation as one of the most successful traders on the contemporary scene. Some of his deals may also be classed as audacious because they have involved the names of top-ranked stars, who, in most situations, would be considered "untradeables."

Howsam came to the Cardinals as boss of the "front office" in mid-August, 1964. That was the club that put on a late drive to win the pennant on the last day of the season, then went on to win the World Series from the New York Yankees.

In the winter after the 1965 season, How-

sam boldly traded Bill White, Dick Groat and Ken Boyer, who represented three-fourths of the world's championship infield he had inherited only a year before. White and Groat went to Philadelphia, Boyer to the New York Mets.

Early in the 1966 season, he swapped starting left-handed pitcher Ray Sadecki to San Francisco for limping first baseman Orlando Cepada. Before the 1967 season, less than two months before Howsam switched jobs, taking over the inside management in Cincinnati, he traded obscure Charlie Smith, who came to the Cards in the Boyer deal, for all-time home-run king Roger Maris, the man who slugged 61 in '61. He had no qualms about recommending a deal for the left-handed power-hitting veteran, who also brought a salary of \$75,000 to St. Louis.

Howsam took over the Reds on Jan. 22,

1967, and except for his first year, has been a busy trader ever since. Established players like Vada Pinson, Milt Pappas, Deron Johnson, Johnny Edwards, Tommy Harper, Leo Cardenas, Sammy Ellis, Ted Abernathy, Art Shamsky and Alex Johnson have been removed from the roster in a sensational series of deals, which, the bold and enterprising general manager hopes, will lead to Cincinnati's first pennant since 1961.

The end result of the Alex Johnson deal must still be proved. Alex, a fine hitter, went with popular utility man Chico Ruiz this past winter to the California Angels for three pitchers—Jim McGlothlin, Vern Geishert and Pedro Borbon.

The best previous Cincinnati deal must be the one in which Pinson went to St. Louis for young outfielder Bobby Tolan and young relief pitcher Wayne Granger. Another good one involved Pappas, pitcher Ted Davidson and utility man Bob Johnson for starting pitcher Tony Cloninger, reliever Clay Carroll and regular shortstop Woody Woodward. A deal that worked out well for both clubs was the one in which shortstop Cardenas went to the Minnesota Twins for left-handed starter Jim Merritt. Cardenas plugged a fielding hole and hit well for Minnesota last year, while Merritt won 17 games for Cincinnati.

Ask Howsam to select his best-ever transaction, and he declines with thanks, believing that the ultimate is still to come.

"I don't believe I've made my best deal yet," he smiles. "Frankly, although I keep busy in the trading market, I don't like dealing. I'd rather develop my own players than trade for someone else's. But the way things are in baseball, with 24 major clubs and the free agent draft, you build a winner with a combination of players from your own system and those you deal for."

Howsam spent years as a minor league operator at Denver, owning his own club but staying in business through working agreements with Pittsburgh, Detroit and the New York Yankees.

It was a struggle for existence in the minors. You had to scratch to survive. You bought, you sold, you traded, now and then you picked up a free agent.

"Selling was the road to survival," Howsam recalls. The last minor leaguer he sold was Chico Salmon, an infielder who showed up in the World Series last year with Baltimore. He peddled Salmon to the Braves when they were still in Milwaukee.

"When I came to the Cardinals," Bob says, "I had to develop an absolutely new philosophy. In the minors, you used the survival technique. In the majors, everything is geared toward building a pennant winner."

"I was extremely fortunate in having two of the finest tutors in the history of the game. I worked first with Branch Rickey, later with George Weiss.

"I learned from Mr. Rickey that you're better off to trade a player a year too early



SI BURICK



BOB HOWSAM

than a year too late. He was the best judge of talent I ever knew. Weiss, I really believe, was the finest general manager in the history of the game, first in keeping the Yankees on top, later in building up the Mets. Both men also taught me to try to get the 'throw-in,' when the other team is anxious to deal. The Yankees got Clete Boyer, for instance, as an extra in a deal with Kansas City, and he was their third baseman in five World Series.

"Rickey's theory on trading a man a year early was based on the premise that you rarely have any abundance of tradeable players. You have so little to trade, so when you do, you should be in a position to make the deal count."

The secret of trading is to find a club that needs a player, and wants one you have who can fill the spot. "But the other club has to have what you need, and want, and must be willing to give this up. It's a pretty complicated business," Howsam smiles. "You can't make package deals any more. The other club doesn't want your dregs any more than you do."

"I never operate on the theory that I can outsmart someone. I always hope the player I deal helps the other club, so you can trade with that team again. I don't want to trade a lemon or get one."

"You have to operate by an established plan. If you are rebuilding, you trade for youth. If you have a good club, such as ours, and are trying to improve by getting better balance, then you think in terms of getting maybe the one man who can put you in contention. George Weiss would deal for an extra pitcher, like a Johnny Sain or a Ewell Blackwell, or for a pinch-hitter like a Johnny Mize."

Rickey believed in the theory of addition by subtraction, sometimes dealing a player because he felt it was better for all concerned to have him elsewhere. And sometimes you deal for the simple reason that you have young players ready to step into a regular job, but are being held back because a veteran, who may be somewhat shopworn, is still on the scene in a favored position.

Howsam made few moves in his first full season with the Cards after the team won the 1964 title. But when St. Louis dropped to seventh place, he believed the time had come to make some changes. Trading brought criticism but the departure of White, Groat and Boyer left some openings. Young Dal Maxvill moved in at shortstop. Young Mike Shannon moved from the outfield to third base. And when it became obvious that the club needed a cleanup hitter, who batted from the right side, Howsam gambled on Cepeda, who supposedly had a bad knee.

"San Francisco came into St. Louis in May, and Chub Feeney (new National league president but then the Giants' dealer) agreed to let our club physician (the late Dr. I. E. Middleman) examine Cepeda's knee on the pretense that he wanted another doctor to check him over. When Dr. Middleman advised Cepeda could run and would not need surgery, we closed the deal." Sadecki had won a game in the 1964 Series, but was used to fill another gap.

Howsam can laugh now about the swapping of so many St. Louis favorites. "That was just about my last bunch of deals. A lot of people were unhappy about trading off those men who had helped win the world's championship."

But in the season after Howsam left for Cincinnati, Cepeda was the league's Most Valuable Player, and the team, with the help of Maris, who was Bob's last important deal, won another pennant and world's championship.

Maris was acquired to get the "balance" Howsam likes to discuss. The team needed a



THREE MAJOR TRADES . . . engineered by Bob Howsam brought Reds Bobby Tolan and Wayne Granger from St. Louis for Vada Pinson (top); Jim Merritt from Minnesota for Leo Cardenas (middle) and Jim McGlothlin, Vern Geishart and Pedro Borbon from California for Alex Johnson (above) and Chico Ruiz.

left-handed power hitter in the outfield. At the winter baseball convention in December, 1967, Howsam encountered Ralph Houk, who had managed for him in Denver. Houk, who had been general manager of the Yankees, was coming back to the field. I kidded him about some kind of deal. He mentioned Maris. I told him I didn't think we'd be interested. But I thought about it later and asked Houk the next day what he'd want. He said, "Some kind of useful utility man."

"Going home on the plane, I kept thinking about Maris. I arrived at midnight, and got in touch with Chief Bender (his present assistant in Cincinnati) and asked him to meet me at 10 the next morning, meanwhile to find out as much as he could about Maris. The next day, we offered the Yankees Charlie Smith, who'd been one of the players we got in the Ken Boyer deal."

So, in the seasons after Howsam's departure, St. Louis won two pennants with the players he had created openings for and traded for . . . Maris, Cepeda, Maxvill, Shannon, Al Jackson (from the Mets), Alex Johnson and Pat Corrales (from the Phils).

Since coming to Cincinnati, Howsam has continued to deal, but made only a few perfunctory moves in his first year.

He has shown a preference for getting players he previously had. These include Alex Johnson, Corrales, Tolan, Granger, Jackson and pitcher Ray Washburn.

"Basically," he explains, "I brought these men back because of what I know, and the organization knows, about their ability and their aggressiveness. We believe that, except in unusual circumstances, these players still have the same qualities and attitudes. I think opportunity for a job (as in Tolan's case, and Johnson's) is vital. And different managers have different approaches."

Not all the players Howsam has dealt for are still on the scene. For various reasons, some were re-dealt. These are his top trades:

Deron Johnson, 1b, 3b, of, to Atlanta for Mack Jones, of, Jay Ritchie, p, and Jim Beauchamp, of. (Jones brought \$300,000 in the expansion draft. Beauchamp served as a pinch hitter. Ritchie pitched briefly for the Reds but didn't make it. Beauchamp recently was traded to Houston for right-hander Doolley Womack and left-hander Pat House.

Art Shamsky, who was openly unhappy about his irregular outfield status, to the Mets for utility man Bob Johnson. (Johnson was retraded later; see below.)

Dick Simpson, of, to the Cards for Alex Johnson. (See below.)

Johnny Edwards, c, to St. Louis for Pat Corrales, c, and Jimmy Williams, ss. (This deal created the opening for Johnny Bench as the Reds' regular catcher. Corrales is the No. 2 receiver. Williams brought \$300,000 in the expansion draft.)

Tommy Harper, rf, to Cleveland for George Culver, p, Fred Whitfield, lb, Bob Raudman, of. (Culver became a spot starter.) Whitfield had one good year as a pinch hitter. Raudman didn't make it.

Sammy Ellis, p, to California Angels for Bill Kelso and Jorge Rubio, both p. (This one didn't work out.)

Milt Pappas, p, Ted Davidson, p, and Bob Johnson, util. (see above) to Atlanta for Tony Cloninger, p, Clay Carroll, p, and Woody Woodward, ss. (Cloninger is a starter, Carroll a reliever, Woodward, starting shortstop.)

Don Pavletich, c, to White Sox for Jack Fisher, p. (Fisher recently traded to Angels for prospects Bill Harrelson, p, Dan Loomer, ss.)

Jim Schaffer, c, to Dodgers for Ted Savage, of. (Savage was a valuable utility man and pinch hitter last season.)

Ted Abernathy, p, to the Cubs for Bill Plummer, c, Ken Myette, p, Clarence Jones, of. (Plummer is on the Reds' spring roster, Jones was sold to the Japanese league.)

Leo Cardenas, ss, to Minnesota for Jim Merritt, 1b.

Vada Pinson, of, to St. Louis for Bobby Tolan, of, Wayne Granger, p. (Tolan batted .305 last season. Granger set a record by relieving in 90 games.)

Deals since end of 1969 season:

Alex Johnson, of, and Chico Ruiz, if, to Angels for pitchers Jim McGlothlin, Vern Geishart, Pedro Borbon.

Culver to Cards for starting pitcher Ray Washburn.

Gerry Arrigo, 1b, to Chicago for Angel Bravo, of, who led Pacific Coast League with .342 average.

The man Howsam regretted most to part with was Alex Johnson. Then why trade him?

"First of all, we needed pitching, and we had to give up a regular. Alex became expendable because he didn't work on his fielding. And then he has that personality problem, which alienated some of the press and some of our players."

Check the list above. Most of Howsam's trades helped the Cincinnati cause; some he traded for were used in other hopefully helpful deals.

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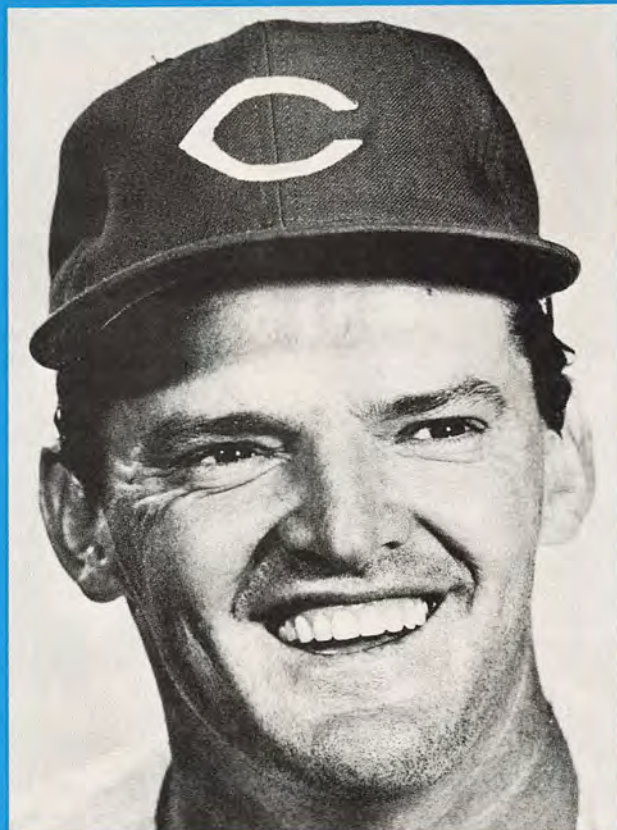
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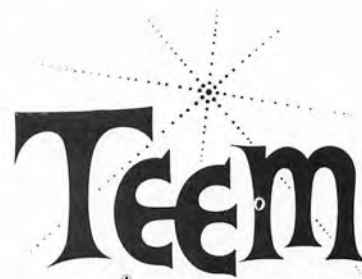
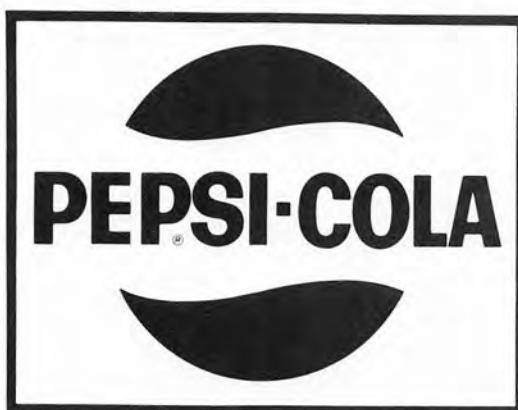
Clay Carroll

During a period of stress and strain on the Reds pitching staff the first half of last season, one man stepped forward, did a convincing job and kept Cincinnati within pennant contention. In fact, it got to the point where former manager Dave Bristol said, "All you have to do with CLAY CARROLL is wind him up and point him toward the mound." The Reds did just that. By the All-Star break, Carroll had appeared in 45 games, put together a 10-game winning streak (longest recorded by a Red in 1969), worked 103 innings, posted a 12-4 record, started four games and "saved" four others. A willingness to work, a durable right arm and a blazing fast ball add up to the Carroll success formula. Obtained in a mid-June trade with Atlanta in 1968, Carroll worked 58 times for Cincinnati, posting seven wins and 12 saves to augment a 2.29 ERA. This year the former plow boy from Clanton, Ala., worked a total of 71 games, only two less than his National League leading total of 1966. He was nothing short of sensational before the home folks. Carroll compiled a perfect 6-0 record at Crosley Field, adding three saves in 32 appearances. Clay won seven of 10 decisions from N.L. East rivals including one victory which has to rank among his top thrills in baseball. On May 30 at St. Louis, Carroll relieved roommate Wayne Granger in the eighth inning with the score tied 3 to 3. Clay retired the first six Cards he faced. With two out in the top of the tenth, he won his own game by hitting his first major league home run off Cards' ace Bob Gibson. Carroll quickly retired the Redbirds in the bottom of the tenth to preserve a key 4 to 3 victory. Clay's over-all 12-6 record pushed his career won-lost total over the .500 level to a 35-34 mark.



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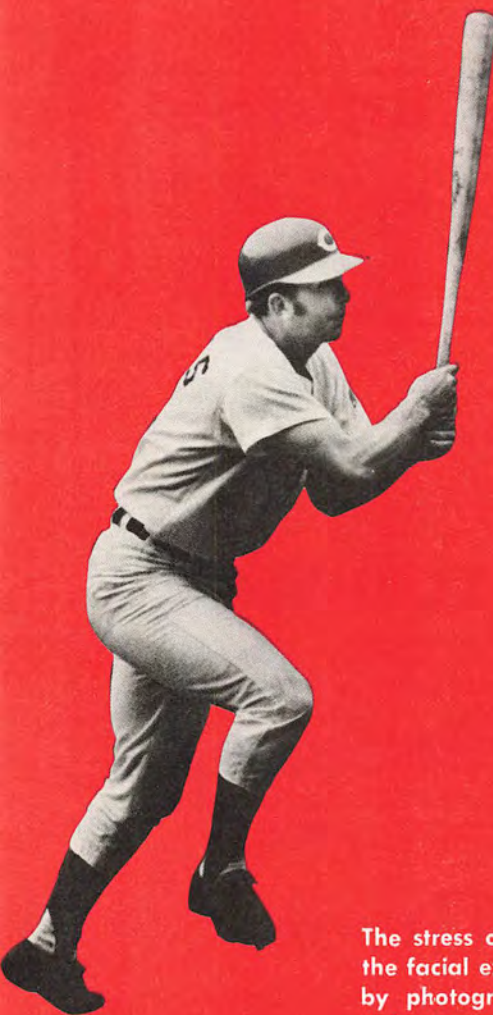
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BATTING

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------|-----------------------------------|
| Highest Batting Average | .377 | J. Bentley (Cy) Seymour, 1905 |
| Highest Slugging Average | .642 | Ted Kluszewski, 1954 |
| Most Games | 163 | Leo Cardenas, 1964 |
| Most At Bats | 670 | Pete Rose, 1965 |
| Most Runs | 134 | Frank Robinson, 1962 |
| Most Consecutive Games Scoring Run | 17 | Ted Kluszewski, 1954 (24 Runs) |
| Most Hits | 219 | J. Bentley (Cy) Seymour, 1905 |
| Most One Base Hits | 160 | Frank McCormick, 1938 |
| Most Two Base Hits | 51 | Frank Robinson, 1962 |
| Most Three Base Hits | 23 | Sam Crawford, 1902 |
| Most Home Runs (Left Handed Batter) | 49 | Ted Kluszewski, 1954 |
| Most Home Runs (Right Handed Batter) | 40 | Wally Post, 1955 |
| Most Home Runs At Home | 34 | Ted Kluszewski, 1954 |
| Most Home Runs, One Month | 14 | Frank Robinson, August, 1962 |
| Most Extra Base Hits | 92 | Frank Robinson, 1962 |
| Most Total Bases | 380 | Frank Robinson, 1962 |
| Most Runs Batted In | 141 | Ted Kluszewski, 1954 |
| Most Bases On Balls | 103 | John W. Bates, 1911 |
| Most Strikeouts | 142 | Lee May, 1969 |
| Fewest Strikeouts | 13 | Frank McCormick, 1941 |
| Most Hit By Pitch | 20 | Frank Robinson, 1956 |
| Most Sacrifices (Inc. Sac. Flies) | 39 | Jake Daubert, 1919 |
| Most Sacrifice Bunts | 31 | Roy McMillan, 1954 |
| Most Stolen Bases | 80 | Bob Bescher, 1911 |
| Longest Batting Streak (Games) | 27 | Edd Roush, 1920 & 1924 |
| | 27 | Vada Pinson, 1965 |
| Most Grounded Into Double Plays | 30 | Ernie Lombardi, 1938 |
| Fewest Grounded Into Double Plays | 2 | Bobby Adams, 1950 |

PITCHING

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|------|---|
| Most Victories | 27 | Adolfo Luque, 1923 |
| | 27 | Bucky Walters, 1939 |
| Most Consecutive Wins | 16 | Ewell Blackwell, 1947 |
| Highest Percentage | .826 | Elmer Riddle, 1941 (19-4) |
| Highest Percentage, 20-Game Winner | .821 | Bob Purkey, 1962 (23-5) |
| Lowest Earned Run Average | 1.81 | Walter Ruethe, 1919 (243 IP) |
| Most Games Lost | 25 | Paul Derringer, 1933 |
| Most Consecutive Games Lost | 12 | Henry Thielman, 1902 |
| | 12 | Peter J. Schneider, 1914 |
| | 12 | Si Johnson, 1933 |
| Most Games | 90 | Wayne Granger, 1969 |
| Most Games Started | 42 | Frank (Noodles) Hahn, 1901 |
| Most Complete Games | 41 | Frank (Noodles) Hahn, 1901 |
| Most Games Finished | 61 | Ted Abernathy, 1967 |
| Most Innings Pitched | 375 | Frank (Noodles) Hahn, 1901 |
| Most Strikeouts | 265 | Jim Maloney, 1963 |
| Most Bases On Balls | 162 | Johnny Vander Meer, 1943 |
| Most Hit Batsmen | 23 | Jake Weimer, 1907 |
| Most Home Runs | 35 | Sammy Ellis, 1966 |
| Most Shutouts | 7 | Jake Weimer, 1906 |
| | 7 | Fred Toney, 1917 |
| | 7 | Hod Eller, 1919 |
| Most Strikeouts, Game, Nine Innings | 16 | Frank (Noodles) Hahn, 5-22-01 |
| | 16 | Jim Maloney, 5-21-63 |
| Most Strikeouts, Extra Inning Game | 18 | Jim Maloney (11 Innings vs. New York, 6-14-65) |
| Most Wild Pitches | 19 | Jim Maloney, 1963 & 1965 |
| Most Runs | 158 | Frank (Noodles) Hahn, 1901 |
| Most Earned Runs | 145 | Herm Wehmeier, 1950 |
| Most Hits | 368 | Frank (Noodles) Hahn, 1901 |

CINCINNATI WRITERS CHAPTER HONORS ROSE, GRANGER, TOLAN

Pete Rose, Wayne Granger and Bobby Tolan were honored for their respective performances last season by the Cincinnati Chapter of the Baseball Writers Association of America. Rose was a unanimous choice as the Reds' Most Valuable Player, earning the trophy for the third time. Granger was selected the outstanding pitcher of the year while Tolan won the first annual "Newcomer of the Year" award. Following is a complete list of Reds MVP winners:

1955—Wally Post, RF
1956—Roy McMillan, SS
1957—Don Hoak, 3B
1958—Johnny Temple, 2B
1959—Frank Robinson, 1B
1960—Eddie Kasko, 3B-SS-2B
1961—Frank Robinson, OF
1962—Frank Robinson, OF

1963—Jim Maloney, RHP
1964—Frank Robinson, OF
1965—Deron Johnson, 3B
1966—Pete Rose, 2B
1967—Tony Perez, 3B
1968—Pete Rose, OF
1969—Pete Rose, OF

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BATTING

| GAMES | | TRIPLES | |
|--------------|-------|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Pinson | 1,565 | Roush | 152 |
| F. Robinson | 1,502 | McPhee | 110 |
| Roush | 1,399 | Pinson | 96 |
| McMillan | 1,348 | W. C. Walker | 94 |
| Kluszewski | 1,339 | M. F. Mitchell | 88 |
| AT BATS | | HOME RUNS | |
| Pinson | 6,335 | F. Robinson | 324 |
| F. Robinson | 5,527 | Kluszewski | 251 |
| Roush | 5,384 | Pinson | 186 |
| Kluszewski | 4,961 | Post | 172 |
| Corcoran | 4,841 | Bell | 160 |
| RUNS | | TOTAL BASES | |
| F. Robinson | 1,043 | F. Robinson | 3,063 |
| Pinson | 978 | Pinson | 2,973 |
| McPhee | 920 | Kluszewski | 2,542 |
| Roush | 815 | Roush | 2,489 |
| Kluszewski | 745 | Bell | 2,121 |
| HITS | | RUNS BATTED IN | |
| Pinson | 1,881 | F. Robinson | 1,009 |
| Roush | 1,784 | Kluszewski | 886 |
| F. Robinson | 1,673 | Pinson | 814 |
| Kluszewski | 1,499 | F. McCormick | 803 |
| F. McCormick | 1,439 | Roush | 754 |
| DOUBLES | | PERCENTAGE (500 or more Games) | |
| Pinson | 342 | Seymour | .333 |
| F. Robinson | 318 | Roush | .331 |
| F. McCormick | 285 | Beckley | .324 |
| Roush | 260 | Holliday | .315 |
| Kluszewski | 244 | Hargrave | .314 |

PITCHING

| GAMES | | STRIKEOUTS | |
|-----------------|------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Nuxhall | 484 | Maloney | 1585 |
| Rixey | 440 | Nuxhall | 1289 |
| Luque | 395 | Vander Meer | 1251 |
| Derringer | 393 | Derringer | 1062 |
| Donohue | 316 | O'Toole | 1002 |
| GAMES STARTED | | BASES ON BALLS | |
| Rixey | 356 | Vander Meer | 1072 |
| Derringer | 322 | Walters | 806 |
| Luque | 319 | Maloney | 771 |
| Walters | 296 | Luque | 756 |
| Vander Meer | 278 | Nuxhall | 706 |
| COMPLETE GAMES | | SHUTOUTS | |
| Hahn | 207 | Walters | 32 |
| Walters | 195 | Maloney | 30 |
| Derringer | 189 | Vander Meer | 30 |
| Ewing | 184 | Raffensberger | 25 |
| Luque | 183 | Derringer, Luque & Hahn | 24 |
| INNINGS PITCHED | | WINS | |
| Rixey | 2891 | Rixey | 179 |
| Luque | 2669 | Derringer | 161 |
| Derringer | 2615 | Walters | 160 |
| Walters | 2356 | Luque | 153 |
| Nuxhall | 2169 | Maloney | 134 |
| HITS | | ERA* | |
| Rixey | 3115 | Ewing | (2021 IP-531 ER) 2.37 |
| Derringer | 2755 | Hahn | (1970 IP-552 ER) 2.52 |
| Luque | 2619 | Schneider | (1254 IP-363 ER) 2.61 |
| Donohue | 2263 | Walters | (2356 IP-766 ER) 2.93 |
| Nuxhall | 2168 | Maloney | (1802 IP-617 ER) 3.08 |

* Based on 1000-or-more innings pitched.

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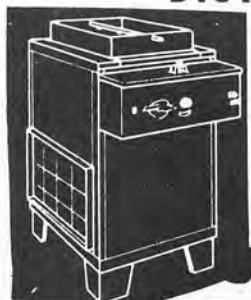
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|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| APRIL | 6 MONTREAL 2:00 P.M. | 7 LOS ANGELES (N) | 8 LOS ANGELES (N) | 9 LOS ANGELES (N) | 10 SAN FRAN. (N) | 11 SAN FRAN. |
| * 12 * SAN FRAN. (D-2) | 13 SAN DIEGO 8:05 P.M. | 14 SAN DIEGO 8:05 P.M. | 15 LOS ANGELES 8:05 P.M. | 16 LOS ANGELES 8:05 P.M. | 17 SAN FRAN. 8:05 P.M. | 18 SAN FRAN. 2:15 P.M. |
| 19 SAN FRAN. 2:15 P.M. | 20 ATLANTA (N) | 21 ATLANTA (N) | 22 | 23 ST. LOUIS (N) | 24 ST. LOUIS (N) | 25 ST. LOUIS (N) |
| 26 ST. LOUIS | 27 | 28 HOUSTON 8:05 P.M. | 29 HOUSTON 12:30 P.M. | 30 | | |
| MAY | | | | | | 1 PITTSBURGH 8:05 P.M. |
| 3 PITTSBURGH 2:15 P.M. | 4 ST. LOUIS 8:05 P.M. | 5 ST. LOUIS 8:05 P.M. | 6 | 7 CHICAGO | 8 CHICAGO | 9 CHICAGO |
| 10 CHICAGO | 11 PITTSBURGH (N) | 12 PITTSBURGH (N) | 13 | 14 | 15 ATLANTA 8:05 P.M. | 16 ATLANTA 5:30 P.M. |
| * 17 * ATLANTA 1:15 P.M. | 18 CHICAGO 8:05 P.M. | 19 CHICAGO 8:05 P.M. | 20 | 21 HOUSTON (N) | 22 HOUSTON (N) | 23 HOUSTON (N) |
| 24 HOUSTON | 25 SAN DIEGO (N) | * 26 * SAN DIEGO (TN-2) | 27 SAN DIEGO (N) | 28 | 29 MONTREAL 8:05 P.M. | 30 MONTREAL 7:00 P.M. |
| 31 MONTREAL 2:15 P.M. | JUNE | | | | | |
| | 1 | 2 PHILA. 8:05 P.M. | 3 PHILA. 8:05 P.M. | 4 | 5 NEW YORK 8:05 P.M. | 6 NEW YORK 7:00 P.M. |
| 7 NEW YORK 2:15 P.M. | 8 | 9 MONTREAL (N) | 10 MONTREAL (N) | 11 MONTREAL (N) | 12 PHILA. (N) | 13 PHILA. (N) |
| 14 PHILA. | 15 | 16 NEW YORK (N) | 17 NEW YORK (N) | 18 | 19 LOS ANGELES 8:05 P.M. | 20 LOS ANGELES 2:15 P.M. |
| * 21 * LOS ANGELES 1:15 P.M. | 22 SAN FRAN. 8:05 P.M. | 23 SAN FRAN. 8:05 P.M. | 24 SAN FRAN. 8:05 P.M. | 25 | 26 HOUSTON (N) | 27 HOUSTON (N) |
| 28 HOUSTON | 29 | 30 ATLANTA 8:05 P.M. | | | | |
| JULY | | | | | | 1 CHICAGO 7:00 P.M. |
| 5 HOUSTON 2:15 P.M. | 6 SAN DIEGO 8:05 P.M. | 7 SAN DIEGO 8:05 P.M. | 8 SAN DIEGO 8:05 P.M. | 9 SAN DIEGO 8:05 P.M. | * 10 * ATLANTA (TN-2) | 11 ATLANTA (N) |
| 12 ATLANTA | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 PITTSBURGH (N) | 17 PITTSBURGH (N) | 18 PITTSBURGH (N) |
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| AUGUST | | | | | | |
| 2 CHICAGO 2:15 P.M. | 3 SAN DIEGO (N) | 4 SAN DIEGO (N) | 5 SAN FRAN. (N) | 6 SAN FRAN. | 7 LOS ANGELES (N) | 8 LOS ANGELES |
| * 9 * LOS ANGELES (D-2) | 10 | 11 NEW YORK 8:05 P.M. | 12 NEW YORK 8:05 P.M. | 13 NEW YORK 8:05 P.M. | 14 PHILA. 8:05 P.M. | 15 PHILA. 7:00 P.M. |
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| SEPTEMBER | | | | | | |
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AWESOME SEXTET . . . Six drivers of the "Big Red Machine" last year were (left to right) major league batting champion Pete Rose, Bobby Tolan, Alex Johnson, Tony Perez, Lee May and Johnny Bench. Final statistics for 1969 reveal the sextet averaged 26 home runs, 98 runs batted in and a .306 average.

The Big Red Machine

By **BOB HERTZEL**
Cincinnati Enquirer

It is August 3, 1969, and the Reds' chartered United Caravelle is taxiing toward gate 14 at Greater Cincinnati Airport.

"There's a pretty big crowd out there to greet you guys," says the pilot over the plane's intercom, hopefully relaying information gained from the tower and not first-hand.

Player looks at player in wonderment. The Reds, after all, aren't used to being mobbed at the airport. It's 9:25 p.m. and that's a rather late hour for the townspeople of Cincinnati to turn out and welcome home their team.

But what the pilot said turned out to be true. They were at the airport, about 500 of them. Cheers went up as each player stepped from the plane and headed for the terminal building. Banners were everywhere and they proclaimed the Cincinnati Reds as the No. 1 team in the National League.

Yes, the populous had turned out to welcome home the Reds, then in first place in the Western Division of the National League. This, however, was more than just a welcome home party. This was a show of love . . . of love for The Big Red Machine, as that awesome group of Reds were called in honor of their fantastic offense.

No one would have been there had the Reds won just another game to recapture first place on this day. But they had done more than win just another game. The Reds had done the impossible. They had given up 17 runs in one game and still had won, 19-17.

No game ever more pointed out what The Big Red Machine was all about. For three hours and 28 minutes the Reds hit baseballs all over ancient Connie Mack Stadium. They rocked out 25 hits and included in that total four home runs. What they did to six Phillies' pitchers was beyond description.



BOB HERTZEL

Yes, The Big Red Machine had won over Cincinnati. You can start at the top and go to the bottom—Pete Rose, Bobby Tolan, Tony Perez, John Bench, Lee May, Tommy Helms, Woody Woodward, Jimmy Stewart, Ted Savage and even the departed Alex Johnson.

This was The Big Red Machine and it spelled out runs, runs and more runs. It spelled disaster for an opposing pitcher all season long . . . a season when the offense had to carry the load and carried it so well that the pitching-thin Reds weren't eliminated until only three games were left in the year.

And, oh what moments The Big Red Machine had. There was that 19-17 thriller for starters. That had to be the highlight, but not the only big moment.

There was a game against Houston when the Reds trailed, 9-0, in the sixth, only to win, 10-9, in 11 innings. That was July 19 and the winning hit was delivered by Savage, one of the lesser cogs in The Machine.

There was more, too . . . much, much more. In Montreal the Reds trailed 3-0 in the ninth. Up stepped Jimmy Stewart, the super sub of The Machine. Boom, he hits a titanic shot on top of the scoreboard in right to tie the game. Then the 11th inning comes around and Bench connects for the first grand slam of his career. The Reds win, 8-3.

And this isn't all. The Reds play the Atlanta Braves a doubleheader. All Lee May does is hit four home runs and drive in 10 runs. The performance leads to a split.

Then there was the night in Los Angeles. The inning is No. 11 and May tries to hit a fly to right-center, just deep enough to score the go-ahead run. The ball carries and carries, all the way into the bleachers. The Reds win, 4-3.

"I was surprised when it went out," said May in the locker room. "I had to reach for it. I hit it good but the ball doesn't usually carry so well here."

Balls carried well all year when hit by a member of The Big Red Machine.

The list of accomplishments of The Big Red Machine goes on. There is the game against the Giants. Three runs in the ninth tie it. Two

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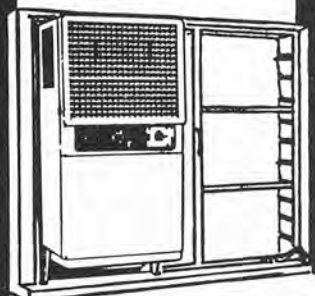
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more in the 10th tie it again. The game goes into the 12th and Bench hits a bases-loaded single off Gaylord Perry. The Reds win, 11-10.

Now, Gaylord Perry speaks about pitching against The Big Red Machine.

"If you don't have good stuff you're in trouble," says Perry. "You just can't slip against the Reds. They beat you in a lot of ways and they do it with more than one guy."

"That Rose gets on base and before you know it Perez is coming up. I've handled May pretty well but he killed me a couple of times. Tolan had a good year and can only get better."

"And that guy behind the plate, he gets on base one way or another and usually it's with a base hit."

Perhaps Gaylord Perry was remembering that early season game when Bench beat him with a single.

If Perry, one of the top pitchers in the National League, thinks he has trouble with Bench he ought to stop and think what Rose does to him.

"It all started in the next-to-last game of 1968," recalled Perry. "Until then I handled Rose pretty well. But in that game he got five-for-five off me and I threw him everything I had."

That was the game, of course, when Rose cinched his first of two consecutive batting titles. Matty Alou, his closest competitor, was going four-for-four and losing ground.

Perry, of course, wasn't the only top pitcher to feel the sting of The Machine. There was Bob Gibson of the Cardinals. He had the big moment of embarrassment for 1969. A home run beat Gibson and it wasn't hit by one of the guns in The Machine.

Instead, it was weak-hitting Clay Carroll, a pitcher, who touched him for a 10th-inning home run and a 4-3 triumph.

No, the top pitchers don't like to face The Machine. The hitting is just too awesome.

"They give you all anyone can handle," says Claude Osteen, a 20-game winner for the Dodgers. "You can never let up from top to bottom. I always try and visualize not letting them get a rally started. With as many hitters as they have it can go on forever."

"Other teams," says Houston's Larry Dierker, "have a few singles hitters and some power hitters. But the Reds are different. Almost everyone on the team can beat you with an extra base hit or a homer."

"Lee May is the toughest for me. I can't ever remember throwing a fast ball by him. Some other good fast ball hitters will miss one occasionally. Not May. That means I've got to rely on my other stuff

and there's always the danger of hanging a breaking ball. If you hang one to him, he murders it."

Only one pitcher had great success against the Reds last year and that was Phil Niekro of the Braves, who used his knuckleball to beat The Machine six times without defeat. His success has him puzzled as much as other's lack of success against The Machine worries them.

"I just can't understand it," said Niekro. "I don't know why it happened. Every time out I look for the roof to fall in. I knew I couldn't keep pitching that well, not against that hitting."

Phil Niekro had a formula for success, though. The Reds' power forced him into it.

"I began preparing a day or two before I faced the Reds," explained Niekro. "I talked myself into throwing good knuckleballs to guys like Perez and Bench. I had to talk myself into wanting to pitch well."

This is the kind of respect The Big Red Machine earned, even from those who found a way to beat it. This is what The Big Red Machine is all about.

Let's take it from the top. Pete Rose, NL batting champion with a .348 average and a believer he can hit .400 in 1970 with some luck and the same kind of year.

Pete Rose, a .500 hitter against the good pitching of the Cards. Pete Rose, just one hit shy of the club record of 219 set in 1905. That's The Machine's leadoff man.

Tommy Helms, a .269 hitter in 1969 despite a bad hand and an appendectomy. A key man in the September drive for the flag. Unselfish, good on the hit and run, good on the bunt. Helms ended the season with a 10-game hitting streak.

Bobby Tolan, young, fast, still developing. A .305 hitter with a surprising 21 home runs and 93 runs batted in. Bobby Tolan, whose 15th-inning single beats the Giants 5-4 after San Francisco relievers had hurled nine innings of no-hit ball.

Johnny Bench, on his way to the Hall of Fame, a .293 hitter with 26 home runs and 90 runs batted in. All this and everyone says he's a long way from his peak.

Tony Perez and Lee May. A two-man "Murderer's Row" with 75 home runs and 232 runs batted in between them. May is third in the NL with 38 homers, Perez fourth with 37. Both just reaching the peak.

Jimmy Stewart, Woody Woodward and Ted Savage—the indispensable pests who are always on base, always getting a key hit.

This is The Big Red Machine. This is what captured Cincinnati's imagination.

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Tony Perez

Veteran writer Earl Lawson of the Cincinnati Post & Times-Star theorizes baseball needs more guys like TONY PEREZ. Says Lawson, "Perez is a doer, not a complainer." Although disappointed when he was riding the bench a few years ago waiting for an opportunity to play, he didn't complain. Instead, he led the Puerto Rican Winter League in hitting. Cincinnati then converted the versatile Perez from a first baseman to a third baseman in 1967. He made the transition smoothly and earned a berth on the National League All-Star squad. Today he's the bread and butter man in the "Big Red Machine's" attack. The even-tempered Cuban has been one of Cincinnati's most consistent performers the past three years. During this span he has accounted for 81 home runs and 316 runs batted in. He put together a 15-game hitting streak last year to tie Bobby Tolan for the club lead. Perez reached double figures in scoring game-winning runs and also driving in game-deciding tallies. In addition, Tony set personal highs in runs scored, hits, two-base hits, home runs, RBI and average. Based on a .304 average which included eight home runs and 24 RBI, Tony followed teammate Lee May by winning the July Maurice Stokes Athlete of the Month Award. A three-time member of the National League All-Star team, Perez was the hero of the '67 mid-summer classic. His 15th-inning home run at Anaheim, Calif., gave the Senior Circuit a 2 to 1 victory. Despite the comfy confines of Crosley Field, Tony has turned in a better performance on the road. He connected for 22 of his 37 home runs (the most home runs ever hit in a season by a Red third baseman) in enemy terrain last year and hit .304 on the road compared to .284 at home. His total of 97 lifetime home runs places him eighth on the Reds all-time homer list. Perez has enjoyed remarkable success against Chicago. He has feasted on Cub pitching the last three seasons, hitting 16 home runs, driving in 42 runs and compiling a .374 average.



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| Asheville—AA | Southern | Marvin Lorenz | Jim Snyder |
| Tampa—A | Florida State | Mitchell Mick | Dick Kennedy |
| Sioux Falls—A | Northern | Daryl Witt | Russ Nixon |
| Bradenton—Rookie | Gulf Coast | Sheldon Bender | Ron Plaza |

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| CLUB | LEAGUE | Position | WON | LOST | Pct. | GB |
|--------------|----------------------|----------|-----|------|------|----|
| Indianapolis | American Association | Third | 74 | 66 | .529 | 11 |
| Asheville | Southern | Third | 69 | 69 | .500 | 11 |
| Tampa | Florida State | Third* | 65 | 67 | .492 | 15 |
| Sioux Falls | Northern | Second | 45 | 25 | .643 | 1½ |
| Cincinnati | Gulf Coast | Third | 30 | 24 | .556 | 1½ |

*Central Division

REDS TOP DRAFT SELECTIONS—1969

| Regular Phase: February 1 | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| Selection No. | Player | Pos. | Residence | Signed By |
| 1 | John Jackson | RHP | West Covina, Calif. | Larry Barton, Sr. |
| 2 | Buford Wood | RHP | Muskogee, Okla. | |
| Secondary Phase: | | | | |
| 1 | Ross Grimsley | LHP | Memphis, Tenn. | Chet Montgomery |
| 2 | Ted Tomasovich | 1B-OF | Weirton, W. Va. | George Zuraw |
| Regular Phase: June 5-6 | | | | |
| 1 | Don Gullett | LHP | Lynn, Kentucky | Cliff Alexander & Gene Bennett |
| 2 | Kent Burdick | OF | Janesville, Wis. | Fred Goodman & Rex Bowen |
| 3 | Rawlins Eastwick | RHP | Haddonfield, N.J. | Joe Caputo |
| 4 | Mike Ruddell | RHP | Lakewood, Calif. | Larry Barton, Sr. |
| 5 | Clarence Cooper | LHP | Frederick, Md. | Joe Caputo |
| 6 | Barry Powell | 1F | Pleasanton, Texas | Tony Robello |
| 7 | Ronald Steele | OF | Wichita, Kansas | Bob Thurman & Tony Robello |
| 8 | Robert Gallagher | OF | Pennsville, N.J. | Joe Caputo |
| 9 | Emery Mitchell | C | Sacramento, Calif. | |
| 10 | Phil Babcock | RHP | Comstock, N.Y. | Fred Uhlman |
| 11 | Steve Miller | RHP | Crown City, Ohio | Cliff Alexander & Gene Bennett |
| 12 | Arnaldo Contreras | RHP | Tampa, Florida | George Zuraw |
| Secondary Phase: | | | | |
| 1 | John Grubb | OF | Richmond, Va. | |
| 2 | Bill Ferguson | C | Corpus Christi, Texas | Tony Robello |
| 3 | Richard Burch | OF | Highlands, Texas | Tony Robello |

MILT WILCOX . . . Jumped from Class "A" to "AAA" within a year off a fine showing this spring. The Reds' No. 2 draft choice in June of 1968, Wilcox won four of five decisions at Tampa last year. Reds scouts filed rave reports on the 20-year-old righthander's blazing fast ball.

ROSS GRIMSLEY . . . No. 1 pick in the secondary phase a year ago January, averaged almost one strikeout per inning. Grimsley pitched a pair of shutouts, won nine of 13 decisions and was "the best over-all pitcher in the league" according to Sioux Falls' manager Jim Snyder.

KENT BURDICK . . . a swift outfielder selected in the second round last summer, tied for the Northern League lead in home runs and wound up with 40 RBIs in the abbreviated season.

The purpose of a minor league system is to serve as a supply line for talent to the major leagues. It's that simple.

While it would be sheer utopia to realize a handful of prospects each year advancing to the major league roster, the Reds will be satisfied to gain at least one from their system per season.

Cincinnati has developed its fair share in the past and the future looks even brighter.

Three years ago it was righthander Gary Nolan emerging from minor league obscurity to win 14 games.

Catcher Johnny Bench followed in 1968 by hitting .275 in becoming the first receiver to win "Rookie of the Year" honors. Last season shortstop Darrel Chaney jumped from class "AA" Asheville to the Reds roster.

This season? Take your pick. It could be tall righthander Wayne Simpson, the Reds' No. 1 draft pick in 1967 and the most valuable pitcher in the Puerto Rican League last winter. It might be Bernie Carbo, voted the most valuable player in the American Association where he led the league at Indianapolis with a .359 average. It could be infielders Dave Concepcion (.294 at Asheville and .341 at Indianapolis) or Frank Duffy (.261 at Indianapolis) or even outfielder Hal McRae, who made a brilliant comeback last winter after suffering a broken leg in '68. And, it might be all five.

Under the direction of Sheldon (Chief) Bender, Cincinnati's five-team minor league alignment has developed a fine array of prospects. Youngsters like Mel Behney, Tim Grant, Danny Godby, Al Crawford and Milt Wilcox have all shown outstanding progress despite playing only a few seasons.

Last year each of the Reds' five teams—Indianapolis, Asheville, Tampa, Sioux Falls and Cincinnati (Bradenton) finished in the first division. The composite record showed an impressive 283 wins, 251 losses and an over-all .530 percentage.

With the promotion of George Scherger to a varsity coach, Cincinnati wasted little time in securing veteran infielder Ron Plaza to take over as field coordinator of the farm system.

In the managerial ranks, Vern Rapp returns to handle Indianapolis; Jimmy Snyder advances a notch and will pilot Asheville; newcomer Dick Kennedy has been assigned the Tampa reigns and Cincinnati's Russ Nixon makes his debut as a skipper at Sioux Falls.

The Reds will keep a watchful eye on a banner crop of pitchers selected in last year's draft including southpaws Don Gullett, from Lynn, Ky., Ross Grimsley and righthander Arni Contreras from Tampa, Fla.

Cincinnati has shown vast improvement in its farm system, a system that ultimately will develop tomorrow's heroes and future National League pennants for the Queen City.





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Gary Nolan

"There are some things you have to prove to yourself. You have to make yourself get in a groove, then you're all right. I know I'm in that groove now," philosophized a fast maturing 21-year-old **GARY NOLAN**. It was Nolan's way of saying he had returned to the Reds permanently. A rookie sensation in 1967 when he posted a 14-8 record, Nolan experienced arm problems the last two years. In 1968 the injuries reduced his over-all performance to 9-4 and in '69, his

won-lost mark slipped to the .500 level at 8-8. The Reds Opening Day pitcher in 1969, Nolan struck out a dozen Los Angeles Dodgers. Despite losing, 3 to 2, he appeared headed for a possible 20-victory season. However, in his next outing at Atlanta, he pulled a muscle in his right forearm while delivering a pitch to Henry Aaron in the sixth inning. He won the game, but the injury cost him three months duty (and for all intent, the Reds the pennant). Sent to Indianapolis until he was ready to resume a spot in the rotation, Nolan bounced back with an early August flourish. He reeled off six wins in eight decisions. After facing Nolan in a mid-September game at Dodger Stadium, Los Angeles catcher Tom Haller praised Gary by saying, "I can sure see a great difference in him. He's smart enough to realize he doesn't have the real overpowering fast ball since he hurt his arm and he's changing speeds more on his pitches now. And the change-up he has come up with is a great pitch." Nolan credits former teammate catcher Johnny Edwards for the change. "He helped me a whole lot with the pitch in 1967 and now it's paying off." A first draft choice of the Reds in 1966, Nolan has been particularly effective at Crosley Field where his brief lifetime mark is 18-7. The handsome Californian has been a thorn in the side of the New York Mets, having defeated the world champions eight times in nine decisions.

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Bob Tolan

For a player reputed to have fine defensive skills and good speed, BOBBY TOLAN proved to be a real enigma last season. It wasn't so much the fact he hit .305 in his first full season, but it was the manner in which he accomplished the feat. Tolan confused rival pitchers and fans, too. In an interview with the Enquirer's Bob Hertz, Tolan revealed, "People must pick up a newspaper and really wonder about me. I mean, I got 22 bunt hits and 14 more infield hits last year. What a 'Judy' they must think. Then, they look at the rest of my record showing 25 doubles, 10 triples, 21 home runs and 93 runs batted in. They've just got to ask themselves, 'When does he have time to hit all those home runs and drive in all those runs if he's always beating out infield hits?' " As Hertz surmised, the answer is Tolan's ability to do both that turned him into one of the top hitters in the N.L. But it only explains half of Bobby's success. The remaining factor was the left handed hitting outfielder's batting prowess against lefthanded pitching. Tolan ripped southpaws for a .368 average (114-42), including four home runs and 20 RBI. Obtained from St. Louis with Wayne Granger for Vada Pinson a year ago, Tolan's Cardinal credentials were incomplete because he hadn't enjoyed a regular's status in three seasons with the Redbirds. It didn't take him long to establish rapport with the Reds. In his first at bat, Tolan sent a Don Drysdale fast ball into the Crosley Field bleachers for a home run. Before the campaign concluded, he propelled 193 more hits, scored 103 more runs and stole 26 bases in proving to be one of the most consistent performers in the Reds line-up. The rather slender-framed 24-year-old credits his power to a \$1.98 purchase of a rubber strength builder. He continually twists the barbell shaped device on the road to build strength in his hands, wrists and forearms. A veteran of two World Series, Tolan put together the longest hitting streak by a Red last year—15 games (tying Tony Perez). He hit .300-or-more against five teams including a .348 mark (46-16) against his ex-Cardinal mates. The Los Angeles native hit second in the line-up for the greater part of the year making his RBI count even more impressive. At least Cincinnati writers felt that way as they voted the Reds centerfielder the first annual "Newcomer of the Year" award.



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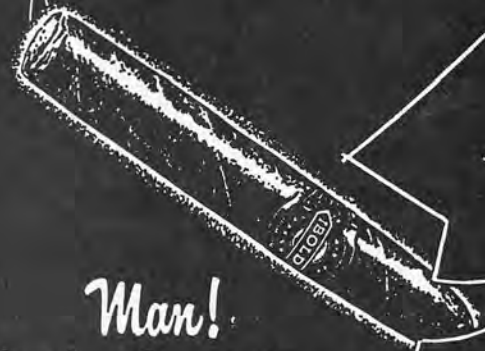
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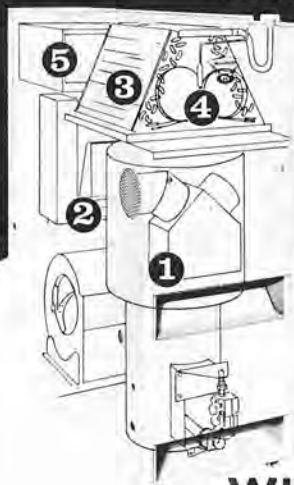
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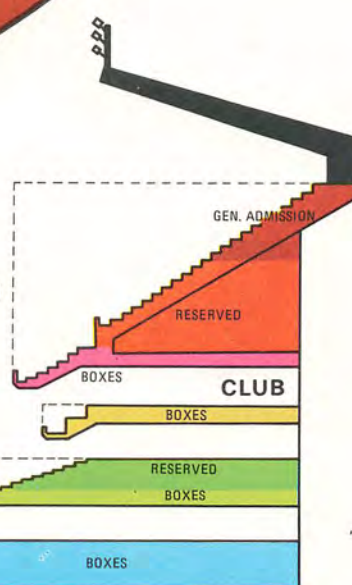


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LHP

ROBERT BELINSKY (34)

Born—New York, N.Y., 12-7-36. Resides—Honolulu, Hawaii. Married—Jo Collins, 9-28-68. Children—Stevhanie. Ht.—6'2". Wt.—180. Bats—Left. Throws—Left. Acquired—From Columbus (Pittsburgh) for Dennis Ribant, 2-2-70.

PITCHING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | GS | CG | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ShO | W-L | ERA |
|------------------|--------------|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|
| 1956 | Brunswick | 11 | — | — | 33 | 40 | 31 | 27 | 24 | 29 | — | 2-3 | 7.36 |
| 1957 | Pensacola | 32 | 23 | 13 | 195 | 170 | 94 | 65 | 90 | 202 | 2 | 13-6 | 3.00 |
| 1958 | Knoxville | 7 | — | — | 24 | 25 | 21 | 18 | 22 | 18 | — | 0-2 | 6.25 |
| 1958 | Aberdeen | 27 | 24 | 15 | 181 | 148 | 78 | 45 | 79 | 184 | 4 | 10-14 | 2.24 |
| 1959 | Amarillo | 9 | 6 | 0 | 28 | 30 | 26 | 20 | 24 | 16 | 0 | 1-3 | 6.43 |
| 1959 | Stockton | 8 | 6 | 1 | 37 | 36 | 31 | 28 | 40 | 31 | 0 | 1-0 | 6.81 |
| 1959 | Pensacola | 9 | 7 | 4 | 54 | 42 | 30 | 18 | 32 | 57 | 2 | 4-4 | 3.00 |
| 1959 | Aberdeen | 4 | — | — | 16 | 17 | 13 | 11 | 10 | 11 | — | 2-0 | 6.19 |
| 1960 | Vancouver | 10 | 3 | 1 | 32 | 41 | 19 | 16 | 12 | 22 | 0 | 1-3 | 4.50 |
| 1961 | Little Rock | 31 | 23 | 5 | 174 | 160 | 107 | 72 | 115 | 183 | 1 | 9-10 | 3.72 |
| 1962 | L. A. (AL) | 33 | 31 | 5 | 187 | 149 | 86 | 74 | 122 | 145 | 3 | 10-11 | 3.56 |
| 1963 | L. A. (AL) | 13 | 13 | 2 | 77 | 78 | 54 | 49 | 35 | 60 | 0 | 2-9 | 5.76 |
| 1963 | Hawaii | 9 | 7 | 3 | 54 | 51 | 15 | 15 | 17 | 47 | 2 | 4-1 | 2.50 |
| 1964 | L. A. (AL) | 23 | 22 | 4 | 135 | 120 | 45 | 43 | 49 | 91 | 1 | 9-8 | 2.87 |
| 1965 | Philadelphia | 30 | 14 | 3 | 110 | 103 | 72 | 59 | 48 | 71 | 0 | 4-9 | 4.83 |
| 1966 | Philadelphia | 9 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 14 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 0-2 | 3.00 |
| 1966 | San Diego | 13 | 10 | 0 | 54 | 55 | 31 | 29 | 32 | 54 | 0 | 2-4 | 4.83 |
| 1967 | Houston | 27 | 18 | 0 | 115 | 112 | 74 | 69 | 54 | 80 | 0 | 3-9 | 4.70 |
| 1968 | Hawaii | 29 | 25 | 7 | 176 | 132 | 65 | 58 | 83 | 181 | 3 | 9-14 | 2.97 |
| 1969 | Hawaii | 23 | 23 | 2 | 147 | 112 | 59 | 46 | 74 | 111 | 1 | 12-5 | 2.82 |
| 1969 | Pittsburgh | 8 | 3 | 0 | 18 | 17 | 10 | 9 | 14 | 15 | 0 | 0-3 | 4.50 |
| N. L. Totals | | 74 | 36 | 3 | 258 | 246 | 161 | 142 | 121 | 174 | 0 | 7-23 | 4.95 |
| A. L. Totals | | 69 | 66 | 11 | 399 | 347 | 185 | 166 | 206 | 296 | 4 | 21-28 | 3.74 |
| Major Lg. Totals | | 143 | 102 | 14 | 657 | 593 | 346 | 308 | 327 | 470 | 4 | 28-51 | 4.22 |

Drafted by Los Angeles Angels from Rochester (Baltimore Orioles), 11-27-61.

Traded to Philadelphia for Costen Shockley and Rudy May, 12-3-64.

Drafted by Houston from San Diego (Philadelphia Phillies), 11-28-66.

Assigned Oklahoma City, 11-17-67. Assigned Hawaii, 4-1-68. Assigned Oklahoma City, 9-9-68. Drafted by St. Louis from Oklahoma City (Houston), 12-2-68. Sold to Hawaii, 4-3-69. Purchased by Pittsburgh, 7-30-69. Assigned Columbus, 10-22-69.

C

JOHNNY LEE BENCH (5)

Born—Oklahoma City, Okla., 12-7-47. Resides—Cincinnati, Ohio. Single. Ht.—6'1". Wt.—195. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—Second Draft Choice Cincinnati, Regular Phase, June 1965.

PLAYING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | SB | BB | SO | Pct. |
|------------------|------------|-----|------|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|-----|------|
| 1965 | Tampa | 68 | 214 | 29 | 53 | 13 | 1 | 2 | 35 | 2 | 27 | 32 | .248 |
| 1966 | Peninsula | 98 | 350 | 59 | 103 | 16 | 0 | 22 | 68 | 0 | 36 | 69 | .294 |
| 1966 | Buffalo | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| 1967 | Buffalo | 98 | 344 | 39 | 89 | 17 | 2 | 23 | 68 | 2 | 21 | 68 | .259 |
| 1967 | Cincinnati | 26 | 86 | 7 | 14 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 19 | .163 |
| 1968 | Cincinnati | 154 | 564 | 67 | 155 | 40 | 2 | 15 | 82 | 1 | 31 | 96 | .275 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 148 | 532 | 83 | 156 | 23 | 1 | 26 | 90 | 6 | 49 | 86 | .293 |
| Major Lg. Totals | | 328 | 1182 | 157 | 325 | 66 | 4 | 42 | 178 | 7 | 85 | 201 | .275 |

OF ANGEL ALFONSO BRAVO (Urdaneta) (22)

Born—Maracaibo, Venezuela, 8-4-42. Resides—Santa Rita, Venez. Married—Rith Lourdes, 11-23-60. Children—Mariela and Maria. Ht.—5'8". Wt.—155. Bats—Left. Throws—Left. Acquired—From Chicago White Sox for Gerry Arrigo, 12-15-69.

PLAYING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | SB | BB | SO | Pct. |
|------|-----------------|-----|-----|----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|------|
| 1963 | Clinton | 117 | 354 | 61 | 74 | 19 | 3 | 4 | 41 | 16 | 78 | 114 | .209 |
| 1964 | Clinton | 121 | 397 | 91 | 106 | 11 | 3 | 2 | 42 | 62 | 126 | 91 | .267 |
| 1965 | Tidewater | 25 | 83 | 23 | 18 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 17 | 27 | 17 | .217 |
| 1965 | Sarasota | 87 | 301 | 59 | 80 | 11 | 3 | 2 | 27 | 43 | 59 | 47 | .266 |
| 1966 | Evansville | 71 | 247 | 38 | 71 | 6 | 5 | 0 | 24 | 5 | 28 | 55 | .287 |
| 1967 | Evansville | 95 | 354 | 61 | 89 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 16 | 24 | 53 | 50 | .251 |
| 1967 | Indianapolis | 39 | 104 | 14 | 22 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 11 | 11 | 11 | .212 |
| 1968 | Evansville | 81 | 313 | 51 | 93 | 9 | 8 | 1 | 27 | 30 | 35 | 46 | .297 |
| 1968 | Hawaii | 61 | 235 | 31 | 66 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 14 | 16 | 22 | 29 | .281 |
| 1969 | Tucson | 132 | 515 | 87 | 176 | 19 | 16 | 1 | 52 | 28 | 46 | 30 | .342 |
| 1969 | Chicago (A. L.) | 27 | 90 | 10 | 26 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 5 | .289 |

OF

BERNARDO CARBO (25)

Born—Detroit, Mich., 8-5-47. Resides—Westland, Mich. Married—Susan Phillips, 9-15-68. Ht.—6'. Wt.—185. Bats—Left. Throws—Right. Acquired—First Draft Choice Cincinnati, Regular Phase, June 1965.

PLAYING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | SB | BB | SO | Pct. |
|------|--------------|-----|-----|----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|------|
| 1965 | Tampa | 71 | 211 | 25 | 46 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 19 | 3 | 52 | 69 | .218 |
| 1966 | Peninsula | 132 | 402 | 66 | 108 | 30 | 1 | 15 | 57 | 6 | 108 | 100 | .269 |
| 1967 | Knoxville | 93 | 279 | 23 | 56 | 5 | 7 | 2 | 27 | 3 | 43 | 71 | .201 |
| 1968 | Asheville | 127 | 417 | 87 | 117 | 20 | 7 | 20 | 66 | 16 | 91 | 116 | .281 |
| 1969 | Indianapolis | 111 | 404 | 83 | 145 | 37 | 2 | 21 | 76 | 7 | 69 | 99 | .359 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .000 |

RHP

CLAY PALMER CARROLL (36)

Born—Clanton, Ala., 5-2-41. Resides—Bradenton, Fla. Married—Judy Ethel Haynes, 9-22-64. Children—Connie Sue and Lori Lynn. Ht.—6'1". Wt.—200. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—From Atlanta with Tony Cloninger and Woody Woodward for Milt Pappas, Ted Davidson and Bob Johnson, 6-11-68.

PITCHING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | GS | CG | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ShO | W-L | ERA |
|------------------|-------------|-----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|
| 1961 | Quad City | 21 | 18 | 7 | 122 | 123 | 73 | 57 | 43 | 94 | 1 | 7-10 | 4.20 |
| 1962 | Boise | 31 | 22 | 16 | 181 | 158 | 93 | 77 | 78 | 223 | 1 | 14-7 | 3.83 |
| 1963 | Denver | 18 | 11 | 3 | 70 | 82 | 55 | 43 | 25 | 41 | 0 | 3-7 | 5.53 |
| 1963 | Austin | 17 | 15 | 8 | 112 | 104 | 57 | 44 | 30 | 64 | 1 | 8-4 | 3.55 |
| 1964 | Denver | 21 | 20 | 5 | 127 | 129 | 56 | 49 | 35 | 87 | 0 | 8-8 | 3.47 |
| 1964 | Austin | 3 | 2 | 1 | 17 | 10 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 14 | 0 | 2-0 | 1.59 |
| 1964 | Milwaukee | 11 | 1 | 0 | 20 | 15 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 17 | 0 | 2-0 | 1.80 |
| 1965 | Atlanta | 13 | 13 | 4 | 93 | 85 | 28 | 25 | 32 | 52 | 0 | 3-6 | 2.42 |
| 1965 | Milwaukee | 19 | 1 | 0 | 35 | 35 | 18 | 17 | 13 | 16 | 0 | 0-1 | 4.37 |
| 1966 | Atlanta | 73 | 3 | 0 | 144 | 127 | 45 | 38 | 29 | 67 | 0 | 8-7 | 2.38 |
| 1967 | Atlanta | 42 | 7 | 1 | 93 | 111 | 62 | 57 | 28 | 35 | 0 | 6-12 | 5.52 |
| 1967 | Richmond | 4 | 3 | 1 | 22 | 16 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 2-0 | 0.82 |
| 1968 | Atl.-Cinti. | 68 | 1 | 0 | 144 | 128 | 50 | 43 | 38 | 71 | 0 | 7-8 | 2.69 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 71 | 4 | 0 | 151 | 149 | 70 | 59 | 78 | 90 | 0 | 12-6 | 3.52 |
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IF DARREL LEE CHANEY (12)

Born—Hammond, Ind., 3-9-48. Resides—Hammond, Ind. Married—Cynthia Eleanor Pajak, 2-17-68. Children—Keith Allen. Ht.—6'1". Wt.—190. Bats—Both. Throws—Right. Acquired—Second Draft Choice Cincinnati, Regular Phase, June 1966.

PLAYING RECORD

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|------|-------------|-----|-----|----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|-----|------|
| 1966 | Sioux Falls | 57 | 218 | 24 | 45 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 14 | 15 | 24 | 81 | .206 |
| 1967 | Knoxville | 26 | 90 | 10 | 17 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 11 | 30 | .189 |
| 1968 | Asheville | 132 | 468 | 64 | 108 | 21 | 7 | 23 | 78 | 8 | 32 | 159 | .231 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 93 | 209 | 21 | 40 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 15 | 1 | 24 | 75 | .191 |

RHP TONY LEE CLONINGER (40)

Born—Lincoln County, N. C., 8-13-40. Resides—Denver, N. C. Married—Millie Dellinger, 2-20-60. Children—Tony Lee, Jr., Darin Trent, Michael Keven and Meredith Ann. Ht.—6' Wt.—215. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—From Atlanta with Clay Carroll and Woody Woodward for Milt Pappas, Ted Davidson and Bob Johnson, 6-11-68.

PITCHING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | GS | CG | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ShO | W-L | ERA |
|------|--------------|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|
| 1958 | Eau Claire | 6 | 5 | 2 | 35 | 33 | 27 | 23 | 40 | 27 | 0 | 2-2 | 5.91 |
| 1958 | Midland | 13 | 11 | 8 | 83 | 61 | 41 | 37 | 56 | 87 | 0 | 9-2 | 4.01 |
| 1959 | Cedar Rapids | 10 | 10 | 1 | 46 | 47 | 61 | 49 | 58 | 46 | 0 | 0-9 | 9.59 |
| 1959 | Boise | 19 | 17 | 11 | 121 | 84 | 64 | 46 | 80 | 154 | 4 | 8-6 | 3.42 |
| 1960 | Jacksonville | 12 | 7 | 3 | 49 | 48 | 46 | 36 | 37 | 30 | 0 | 4-4 | 6.61 |
| 1960 | Austin | 13 | 13 | 4 | 78 | 62 | 45 | 30 | 64 | 58 | 1 | 5-3 | 3.47 |
| 1961 | Louisville | 11 | 11 | 2 | 75 | 74 | 39 | 36 | 40 | 58 | 1 | 5-3 | 4.32 |
| 1961 | Milwaukee | 19 | 10 | 3 | 84 | 84 | 49 | 49 | 33 | 51 | 0 | 7-2 | 5.25 |
| 1962 | Milwaukee | 24 | 15 | 4 | 111 | 113 | 61 | 53 | 46 | 69 | 1 | 8-3 | 4.30 |
| 1963 | Milwaukee | 41 | 18 | 4 | 145 | 131 | 68 | 61 | 63 | 100 | 2 | 9-11 | 3.79 |
| 1964 | Milwaukee | 38 | 34 | 15 | 243 | 206 | 112 | 96 | 82 | 163 | 3 | 19-14 | 3.56 |
| 1965 | Milwaukee | 40 | 38 | 16 | 279 | 247 | 115 | 102 | 119 | 211 | 1 | 24-11 | 3.29 |
| 1966 | Atlanta | 39 | 38 | 11 | 258 | 253 | 134 | 118 | 116 | 178 | 1 | 14-11 | 4.12 |
| 1967 | Atlanta | 16 | 16 | 1 | 77 | 85 | 50 | 44 | 31 | 55 | 0 | 4-7 | 5.14 |
| 1968 | Atl.-Cinti. | 25 | 18 | 2 | 110 | 96 | 58 | 50 | 59 | 72 | 2 | 5-6 | 4.09 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 35 | 34 | 6 | 190 | 184 | 123 | 106 | 103 | 103 | 2 | 11-17 | 5.02 |

Major Lg. Totals 277 221 62 1497 1399 770 679 652 1002 12 101-82 4.08

IF DAVID CONCEPCION (50)

Born—Aragua, Venez., 6-17-48. Resides—Aragua, Venez. Single. Ht.—6'2". Wt.—155. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—Cincinnati Farm System.

PLAYING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | SB | BB | SO | Pct. |
|------|--------------|-----|-----|----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|------|
| 1968 | Tampa | 120 | 329 | 47 | 77 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 22 | 11 | 40 | 70 | .234 |
| 1969 | Asheville | 96 | 340 | 47 | 100 | 11 | 5 | 1 | 37 | 11 | 28 | 63 | .294 |
| 1969 | Indianapolis | 42 | 167 | 29 | 57 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 17 | 11 | 16 | 27 | .341 |

C PATRICK CORRALES (7)

Born—Los Angeles, Calif., 3-20-41. Resides—Fresno, Calif. Married—Sharon Ann Grimes, 9-23-60 (deceased). Children—Rena Maren; Michele Denise and Patricia Ann (twins) and Patrick Jason. Ht.—6'. Wt.—195. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—From St. Louis (assigned outright to Indianapolis) with Jimmy Williams for John Edwards, 2-8-68.

PLAYING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | SB | BB | SO | Pct. |
|------|---------------|-----|-----|----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|------|
| 1959 | Bakersfield | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | .000 |
| 1959 | Johnson City | 23 | 74 | 10 | 18 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 13 | 1 | 14 | 25 | .243 |
| 1960 | Tampa | 126 | 379 | 70 | 92 | 17 | 5 | 1 | 58 | 6 | 91 | 68 | .245 |
| 1961 | Des Moines | 104 | 333 | 33 | 103 | 18 | 0 | 3 | 36 | 2 | 33 | 65 | .309 |
| 1962 | Dallas-Ft. W. | 42 | 121 | 10 | 27 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 14 | 0 | 10 | 23 | .223 |
| 1962 | Williamsport | 42 | 136 | 9 | 26 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 7 | 27 | .191 |
| 1963 | Chattanooga | 127 | 415 | 42 | 108 | 15 | 1 | 3 | 51 | 1 | 50 | 64 | .260 |
| 1964 | Little Rock | 101 | 335 | 36 | 102 | 19 | 1 | 9 | 48 | 0 | 30 | 46 | .304 |
| 1964 | Philadelphia | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .000 |
| 1965 | Little Rock | 28 | 85 | 6 | 16 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 9 | 16 | .188 |
| 1965 | Philadelphia | 63 | 174 | 16 | 39 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 0 | 25 | 42 | .224 |
| 1966 | St. Louis | 28 | 72 | 5 | 13 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 17 | .181 |
| 1967 | Tulsa | 130 | 435 | 55 | 119 | 18 | 1 | 10 | 54 | 8 | 36 | 72 | .274 |
| 1968 | Indianapolis | 77 | 242 | 26 | 66 | 11 | 3 | 6 | 34 | 4 | 27 | 48 | .273 |
| 1968 | Cincinnati | 20 | 56 | 3 | 15 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 16 | .268 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 29 | 72 | 10 | 19 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 8 | 17 | .264 |

Major Lg. Totals 142 375 35 86 19 1 3 29 1 42 92 .229

Traded with Art Mahaffey and Alex Johnson to St. Louis for Bill White, Dick Groat and Bob Uecker, 10-27-65.

RHP WAYNE ALLAN GRANGER (37)

Born—Springfield, Mass., 3-15-44. Resides—Huntington, Mass. Married—Andrea Buynicki, 11-24-65. Children—Michelle Lee. Ht.—6'2". Wt.—170. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—From St. Louis with Bobby Tolan for Vada Pinson, 10-11-68.

PITCHING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | GS | CG | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ShO | W-L | ERA |
|------|------------|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|-----|------|------|
| 1965 | Tulsa | 7 | 5 | 1 | 38 | 34 | 23 | 20 | 8 | 22 | 0 | 2-2 | 4.74 |
| 1965 | Raleigh | 24 | 20 | 13 | 162 | 131 | 69 | 49 | 41 | 117 | 2 | 9-10 | 2.72 |
| 1966 | Arkansas | 47 | 0 | 0 | 95 | 66 | 21 | 19 | 30 | 57 | 0 | 11-2 | 1.80 |
| 1967 | Tulsa | 57 | 5 | 3 | 113 | 111 | 45 | 38 | 38 | 70 | 1 | 8-7 | 3.03 |
| 1968 | Tulsa | 14 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 16 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 19 | 0 | 4-3 | 2.16 |
| 1968 | St. Louis | 34 | 0 | 0 | 44 | 40 | 14 | 11 | 12 | 27 | 0 | 4-2 | 2.25 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 90 | 0 | 0 | 145 | 143 | 64 | 45 | 40 | 68 | 0 | 9-6 | 2.79 |

Major Lg. Totals 124 0 0 189 183 78 56 52 95 0 13-8 2.67

Saves: 1969—27

LHP DONALD EDWARD GULLETT (35)

Born—Lynn, Ky., 1-5-51. Resides—Lynn, Ky. Married—Cathy Holcomb, 1-23-70. Ht.—6'. Wt.—190. Bats—Right. Throws—Left. Acquired—Firts Draft Choice Cincinnati, Regular Phase, June 1969.

PITCHING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | GS | CG | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ShO | W-L | ERA |
|------|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|------|
| 1969 | Sioux Falls | 11 | 11 | 6 | 78 | 49 | 24 | 17 | 37 | 87 | 2 | 7-2 | 1.96 |

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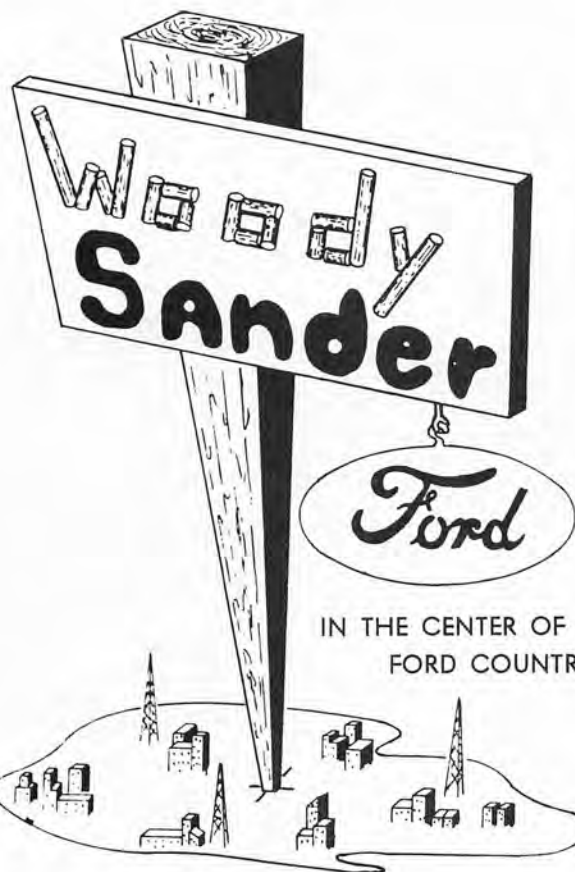
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IF TOMMY VANN HELMS (19)

Born—Charlotte, N. C., 5-5-41. Resides—Charlotte, N. C. Married—Rita Eileen Johnson, 11-29-69. Ht.—5'10". Wt.—175. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—Cincinnati Farm System.

PLAYING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | SB | BB | SO | Pct. |
|------------------|------------|-----|------|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|-----|------|
| 1959 | Palatka | 56 | 210 | 37 | 53 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 16 | 3 | 13 | 16 | .252 |
| 1960 | Palatka | 137 | 586 | 119 | 171 | 33 | 5 | 3 | 69 | 10 | 38 | 40 | .292 |
| 1961 | Topeka | 121 | 484 | 86 | 134 | 13 | 10 | 2 | 57 | 13 | 32 | 40 | .277 |
| 1962 | Macon | 139 | 573 | 102 | 195 | 38 | 7 | 1 | 50 | 15 | 32 | 32 | .340 |
| 1963 | San Diego | 138 | 471 | 40 | 106 | 21 | 3 | 2 | 39 | 3 | 23 | 40 | .225 |
| 1964 | San Diego | 142 | 543 | 57 | 168 | 25 | 9 | 7 | 69 | 11 | 19 | 40 | .309 |
| 1964 | Cincinnati | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .000 |
| 1965 | San Diego | 96 | 382 | 48 | 122 | 23 | 3 | 6 | 51 | 2 | 14 | 25 | .319 |
| 1965 | Cincinnati | 21 | 42 | 4 | 16 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 7 | .381 |
| 1966 | Cincinnati | 138 | 542 | 72 | 154 | 23 | 1 | 9 | 49 | 3 | 24 | 31 | .284 |
| 1967 | Cincinnati | 137 | 497 | 40 | 136 | 27 | 4 | 2 | 35 | 5 | 24 | 41 | .274 |
| 1968 | Cincinnati | 127 | 507 | 35 | 146 | 28 | 2 | 2 | 47 | 5 | 12 | 27 | .288 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 126 | 480 | 38 | 129 | 18 | 1 | 1 | 40 | 4 | 18 | 33 | .269 |
| Major Lg. Totals | | 551 | 2069 | 189 | 581 | 98 | 10 | 14 | 177 | 18 | 81 | 140 | .281 |

RHP JAMES WILLIAM MALONEY (46)

Born—Fresno, Calif., 6-2-40. Resides—Cincinnati, Ohio. Married—Carolyn Daugherty, 10-15-61. Children—Jami Rae and Shannon Dell. Ht.—6'2". Wt.—214. Bats—Left. Throws—Right. Acquired—Cincinnati Farm System.

PITCHING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | GS | CG | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ShO | W-L | ERA |
|------------------|------------|-----|-----|----|------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|--------|------|
| 1959 | Topeka | 25 | 14 | 5 | 124 | 121 | 76 | 62 | 83 | 131 | 0 | 6-7 | 4.50 |
| 1960 | Nashville | 22 | 21 | 15 | 161 | 137 | 57 | 50 | 75 | 162 | 3 | 14-5 | 2.79 |
| 1960 | Cincinnati | 11 | 10 | 2 | 64 | 61 | 35 | 33 | 37 | 48 | 1 | 2-6 | 4.64 |
| 1961 | Cincinnati | 27 | 11 | 1 | 95 | 86 | 54 | 46 | 59 | 57 | 0 | 6-7 | 4.36 |
| 1962 | San Diego | 7 | 7 | 2 | 45 | 32 | 12 | 11 | 31 | 37 | 0 | 4-1 | 2.20 |
| 1962 | Cincinnati | 22 | 17 | 3 | 115 | 90 | 52 | 45 | 66 | 105 | 0 | 9-7 | 3.51 |
| 1963 | Cincinnati | 33 | 33 | 13 | 250 | 183 | 84 | 77 | 88 | 265 | 6 | 23-7 | 2.77 |
| 1964 | Cincinnati | 31 | 31 | 11 | 216 | 177 | 72 | 65 | 83 | 214 | 2 | 15-10 | 2.70 |
| 1965 | Cincinnati | 33 | 33 | 14 | 255 | 189 | 77 | 72 | 110 | 244 | 5 | 20-9 | 2.54 |
| 1966 | Cincinnati | 32 | 32 | 10 | 225 | 174 | 75 | 70 | 90 | 216 | 15 | 16-8 | 2.80 |
| 1967 | Cincinnati | 30 | 29 | 6 | 196 | 181 | 76 | 71 | 72 | 153 | 3 | 15-11 | 3.26 |
| 1968 | Cincinnati | 33 | 32 | 8 | 207 | 183 | 100 | 83 | 80 | 181 | 5 | 16-10 | 3.61 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 30 | 27 | 6 | 179 | 135 | 64 | 55 | 66 | 102 | 3 | 12-5 | 2.77 |
| Major Lg. Totals | | 282 | 255 | 74 | 1802 | 1457 | 689 | 617 | 771 | 1585 | 30 | 134-80 | 3.08 |

1B-OF LEE ANDREW MAY (23)

Born—Birmingham, Ala., 3-23-43. Resides—Birmingham, Ala. Married—Terrye Berdue, 1-18-62. Children—Yelandra Marice, Lisa Yevonne and Lee Andrew, Jr. Ht.—6'3". Wt.—205. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—Cincinnati Farm System.

PLAYING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | SB | BB | SO | Pct. |
|------------------|-------------|-----|------|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|-----|------|
| 1961 | Tampa | 26 | 77 | 10 | 20 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 23 | .260 |
| 1962 | Tampa | 89 | 339 | 45 | 88 | 10 | 3 | 10 | 65 | 9 | 22 | 63 | .260 |
| 1963 | Rocky Mount | 144 | 520 | 79 | 137 | 23 | 4 | 18 | 80 | 11 | 48 | 56 | .263 |
| 1964 | Macon | 140 | 515 | 91 | 156 | 22 | 5 | 25 | 110 | 4 | 50 | 126 | .303 |
| 1965 | San Diego | 143 | 558 | 83 | 179 | 32 | 7 | 34 | 103 | 7 | 28 | 84 | .321 |
| 1965 | Cincinnati | 5 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .000 |
| 1966 | Buffalo | 128 | 471 | 74 | 146 | 25 | 5 | 16 | 78 | 11 | 42 | 82 | .310 |
| 1966 | Cincinnati | 25 | 75 | 14 | 25 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 14 | .333 |
| 1967 | Cincinnati | 127 | 438 | 54 | 116 | 29 | 2 | 12 | 57 | 4 | 19 | 80 | .265 |
| 1968 | Cincinnati | 146 | 559 | 78 | 162 | 32 | 1 | 22 | 80 | 4 | 34 | 100 | .290 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 158 | 607 | 85 | 169 | 32 | 3 | 38 | 110 | 5 | 45 | 142 | .278 |
| Major Lg. Totals | | 461 | 1683 | 232 | 472 | 98 | 7 | 74 | 257 | 13 | 98 | 337 | .281 |

RHP JAMES MILTON McGLOTHLIN (31)

Born—Los Angeles, Calif., 10-6-43. Resides—Fountain Valley, Calif. Married—Janice Jennings, 12-8-62. Children—Kimberly Ann and Kelly Jo. Ht.—6'1". Wt.—185. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—From California with Vern Geishert and Pedro Borbon for Alex Johnson and Chico Ruiz, 11-25-69.

PITCHING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | GS | CG | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ShO | W-L | ERA |
|------------------|-------------|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|
| 1962 | Quad Cities | 25 | 17 | 10 | 129 | 87 | 56 | 40 | 67 | 165 | 3 | 13-5 | 2.79 |
| 1963 | Nashville | 11 | 8 | 3 | 44 | 55 | 30 | 25 | 23 | 35 | 0 | 1-5 | 5.11 |
| 1963 | Hawaii | 15 | 11 | 1 | 64 | 70 | 41 | 39 | 38 | 56 | 1 | 5-6 | 5.48 |
| 1964 | Hawaii | 21 | 21 | 3 | 129 | 139 | 74 | 62 | 40 | 104 | 1 | 5-10 | 4.33 |
| 1965 | Seattle | 31 | 28 | 10 | 205 | 188 | 76 | 58 | 70 | 180 | 3 | 14-8 | 2.55 |
| 1965 | California | 3 | 3 | 1 | 18 | 18 | 9 | 7 | 7 | 9 | 0 | 0-3 | 3.50 |
| 1966 | California | 19 | 11 | 0 | 118 | 51 | 31 | 28 | 27 | 65 | 0 | 3-3 | 4.34 |
| 1967 | California | 32 | 29 | 9 | 197 | 163 | 74 | 65 | 56 | 137 | 16 | 12-8 | 2.97 |
| 1968 | California | 40 | 32 | 8 | 208 | 187 | 87 | 82 | 60 | 135 | 0 | 10-15 | 3.55 |
| 1969 | California | 37 | 35 | 4 | 201 | 188 | 86 | 71 | 58 | 96 | 1 | 8-16 | 3.18 |
| Major Lg. Totals | | 131 | 110 | 22 | 692 | 635 | 293 | 259 | 200 | 418 | 7 | 33-43 | 3.37 |

OF HAROLD ABRAHAM McRAE (11)

Born—Avon Park, Fla., 7-10-46. Resides—Bradenton, Fla. Married—Johncyna Williams, 4-21-66. Children—Brian. Ht.—5'11". Wt.—180. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—Sixth Draft Choice Cincinnati, Regular Phase, June 1965.

PLAYING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | SB | BB | SO | Pct. |
|------|--------------|-----|-----|----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|------|
| 1965 | Tampa | 22 | 65 | 3 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 15 | .154 |
| 1966 | Newport N. | 109 | 394 | 65 | 113 | 19 | 4 | 11 | 56 | 10 | 29 | 59 | .287 |
| 1967 | Knoxville | 51 | 186 | 26 | 54 | 10 | 3 | 6 | 25 | 2 | 11 | 20 | .290 |
| 1967 | Buffalo | 73 | 259 | 30 | 65 | 14 | 3 | 10 | 34 | 7 | 7 | 43 | .251 |
| 1968 | Indianapolis | 119 | 444 | 64 | 131 | 31 | 11 | 16 | 65 | 15 | 23 | 65 | .295 |
| 1968 | Cincinnati | 17 | 51 | 1 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 14 | .196 |
| 1969 | Indianapolis | 17 | 41 | 2 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 7 | .220 |

LHP JAMES JOSEPH MERRITT (30)

Born—Altadena, Calif., 12-9-43. Resides—West Covina, Calif. Married—Jean Daniel, 9-29-62. Children—Ronny and Randy. Ht.—6'2". Wt.—180. Bats—Left. Throws—Left. Acquired—From Minnesota for Leo Cardenas, 11-23-68.

PITCHING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | GS | CG | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ShO | W-L | ERA |
|------------------|------------|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|
| 1962 | Erie | 35 | 26 | 16 | 223 | 199 | 100 | 91 | 96 | 249 | 2 | 19-8 | 3.67 |
| 1963 | Charlotte | 34 | 27 | 6 | 159 | 186 | 97 | 73 | 60 | 125 | 1 | 9-12 | 4.13 |
| 1964 | Altanta | 36 | 29 | 12 | 200 | 186 | 76 | 61 | 61 | 174 | 3 | 13-17 | 2.75 |
| 1965 | Denver | 26 | 24 | 13 | 190 | 176 | 82 | 66 | 46 | 171 | 1 | 13-8 | 3.13 |
| 1965 | Minnesota | 16 | 9 | 1 | 77 | 68 | 29 | 27 | 20 | 61 | 0 | 5-4 | 3.16 |
| 1966 | Minnesota | 31 | 18 | 5 | 144 | 112 | 57 | 54 | 33 | 124 | 1 | 7-14 | 3.38 |
| 1967 | Minnesota | 37 | 28 | 11 | 228 | 196 | 72 | 64 | 30 | 161 | 4 | 13-7 | 2.53 |
| 1968 | Minnesota | 38 | 34 | 11 | 238 | 207 | 102 | 86 | 52 | 181 | 1 | 12-16 | 3.25 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 42 | 36 | 8 | 251 | 269 | 127 | 122 | 61 | 144 | 1 | 17-9 | 4.37 |
| N. L. Totals | | 42 | 36 | 8 | 251 | 269 | 127 | 122 | 61 | 144 | 1 | 17-9 | 4.37 |
| A. L. Totals | | 122 | 89 | 28 | 687 | 583 | 260 | 231 | 135 | 527 | 6 | 37-41 | 3.03 |
| Major Lg. Totals | | 164 | 125 | 36 | 938 | 852 | 387 | 353 | 196 | 671 | 7 | 54-50 | 3.39 |

RHP GARY LYNN NOLAN (38)

Born—Herlong, Calif., 5-27-48. Resides—Oroville, Calif. Married—Carol Widener, 2-26-65. Children—Gary, Jr., Timothy John and Kathy Lynn. Ht.—6'3". Wt.—190. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—First Draft Choice Cincinnati, Regular Phase, June 1966.

PITCHING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | GS | CG | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ShO | W-L | ERA |
|------------------|--------------|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|
| 1966 | Sioux Falls | 12 | 12 | 9 | 104 | 76 | 26 | 21 | 30 | 163 | 0 | 7-3 | 1.82 |
| 1967 | Cincinnati | 33 | 32 | 8 | 227 | 193 | 73 | 65 | 62 | 206 | 5 | 14-8 | 2.58 |
| 1968 | Tampa | 2 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 0-1 | 3.60 |
| 1968 | Cincinnati | 23 | 22 | 4 | 150 | 105 | 48 | 40 | 49 | 111 | 2 | 9-4 | 2.40 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 16 | 15 | 2 | 109 | 102 | 45 | 43 | 40 | 83 | 1 | 8-8 | 3.55 |
| 1969 | Indianapolis | 7 | 7 | 2 | 31 | 18 | 10 | 10 | 5 | 34 | 0 | 2-0 | 2.90 |
| Major Lg. Totals | | 72 | 69 | 14 | 486 | 400 | 166 | 148 | 151 | 400 | 8 | 31-20 | 2.74 |

IF ATANASIO RIGAL PEREZ (24)

Born—Ciego de Avila, Camaguey, Cuba, 5-14-42. Resides—Santurce, Puerto Rico. Married—Juana De La Cantera, 2-20-65. Children—Victor Manuel and Eduardo. Ht.—6'2". Wt.—204. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—Cincinnati Farm System.

PLAYING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | SB | BB | SO | Pct. |
|------|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|-----|------|
| 1960 | Geneva | 104 | 384 | 82 | 107 | 21 | 4 | 6 | 43 | 11 | 45 | 68 | .279 |
| 1961 | Geneva | 121 | 460 | 110 | 160 | 32 | 7 | 27 | 132 | 17 | 61 | 86 | .348 |
| 1962 | Rocky Mount | 100 | 384 | 72 | 112 | 20 | 8 | 18 | 74 | 8 | 68 | 61 | .292 |
| 1963 | Macon | 69 | 256 | 44 | 79 | 19 | 3 | 11 | 48 | 8 | 24 | 52 | .309 |
| 1963 | San Diego | 8 | 29 | 4 | 11 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 8 | .379 |
| 1964 | San Diego | 124 | 479 | 96 | 148 | 20 | 8 | 34 | 107 | 4 | 45 | 102 | .309 |
| 1964 | Cincinnati | 12 | 25 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 9 | .080 |
| 1965 | Cincinnati | 104 | 281 | 40 | 73 | 14 | 4 | 12 | 47 | 0 | 21 | 67 | .260 |
| 1966 | Cincinnati | 99 | 257 | 25 | 68 | 10 | 4 | 4 | 39 | 1 | 14 | 44 | .265 |
| 1967 | Cincinnati | 156 | 600 | 78 | 174 | 28 | 7 | 26 | 102 | 0 | 33 | 102 | .290 |
| 1968 | Cincinnati | 160 | 625 | 93 | 176 | 25 | 7 | 18 | 92 | 3 | 51 | 92 | .282 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 160 | 629 | 103 | 185 | 31 | 2 | 37 | 122 | 4 | 63 | 131 | .294 |

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IF-OF JAMES FRANKLIN STEWART (16)

Born—Lee County, Ala., 6-11-39. Resides—Cincinnati, Ohio. Married—Donna Carpenter, 6-4-61. Children—James Jr. and Joseph Andrew. Ht.—6'1". Wt.—175. Bats—Both. Throws—Right. Acquired—Drafted for \$25,000 from Hawaii, Pacific Coast League, affiliate of Chicago White Sox, 12-2-68.

PLAYING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | SB | BB | SO | Pct. |
|------------------|----------------|-----|------|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|------|
| 1961 | Carlsbad | 83 | 325 | 77 | 100 | 13 | 14 | 5 | 56 | 12 | 76 | 54 | .308 |
| 1962 | St. Cloud | 120 | 430 | 86 | 132 | 20 | 4 | 12 | 47 | 13 | 97 | 71 | .307 |
| 1963 | Salt Lake City | 144 | 557 | 94 | 147 | 21 | 8 | 6 | 49 | 11 | 53 | 99 | .264 |
| 1963 | Chicago (NL) | 13 | 37 | 1 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 7 | .297 |
| 1964 | Chicago (NL) | 132 | 415 | 59 | 105 | 17 | 0 | 3 | 33 | 10 | 49 | 61 | .253 |
| 1965 | Chicago (NL) | 116 | 282 | 26 | 63 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 19 | 13 | 30 | 53 | .223 |
| 1966 | Chicago (NL) | 57 | 90 | 4 | 16 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 12 | .178 |
| 1966 | Tacoma | 59 | 240 | 46 | 70 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 17 | 15 | 26 | 28 | .292 |
| 1967 | Chicago (NL) | 6 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .167 |
| 1967 | Indianapolis | 80 | 297 | 59 | 95 | 17 | 5 | 3 | 34 | 18 | 32 | 45 | .320 |
| 1967 | Chicago (AL) | 24 | 18 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | .167 |
| 1968 | Hawaii | 144 | 514 | 69 | 124 | 26 | 7 | 12 | 56 | 30 | 83 | 82 | .241 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 119 | 221 | 26 | 56 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 24 | 4 | 19 | 33 | .253 |
| N. L. Totals | | 443 | 1051 | 117 | 252 | 35 | 9 | 7 | 82 | 29 | 106 | 166 | .240 |
| A. L. Totals | | 24 | 18 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | .167 |
| Major Lg. Totals | | 467 | 1069 | 122 | 255 | 35 | 9 | 7 | 83 | 30 | 107 | 172 | .239 |

Traded to Indianapolis (Chicago White Sox) for Lee Elia, 5-25-67.

OF ROBERT TOLAN (28)

Born—Los Angeles, Calif., 11-19-45. Resides—Los Angeles, Calif. Married—Cheryl Stewart, 2-10-68. Children—Eddie. Ht.—5'11". Wt.—170. Bats—Left. Throws—Left. Acquired—From St. Louis with Wayne Granger for Vada Pinson, 10-11-68.

PLAYING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | SB | BB | SO | Pct. |
|------------------|--------------|-----|------|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|-----|------|
| 1963 | Reno | 75 | 299 | 63 | 81 | 12 | 5 | 8 | 42 | 5 | 46 | 47 | .271 |
| 1964 | Tulsa | 130 | 475 | 74 | 141 | 27 | 10 | 9 | 68 | 34 | 54 | 74 | .297 |
| 1965 | Jacksonville | 145 | 558 | 86 | 162 | 25 | 10 | 8 | 48 | 45 | 44 | 65 | .290 |
| 1965 | St. Louis | 17 | 69 | 8 | 13 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | .188 |
| 1966 | Tulsa | 44 | 171 | 28 | 57 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 26 | 8 | 12 | 14 | .333 |
| 1966 | St. Louis | 43 | 93 | 10 | 16 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 15 | .172 |
| 1967 | St. Louis | 110 | 265 | 35 | 67 | 7 | 3 | 6 | 32 | 12 | 19 | 43 | .253 |
| 1968 | St. Louis | 92 | 278 | 28 | 64 | 12 | 1 | 5 | 17 | 9 | 13 | 42 | .230 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 152 | 637 | 104 | 194 | 25 | 10 | 21 | 93 | 26 | 27 | 92 | .305 |
| Major Lg. Totals | | 414 | 1342 | 185 | 354 | 51 | 15 | 33 | 154 | 50 | 65 | 196 | .264 |

RHP RAY CLARK WASHBURN (39)

Born—Pasco, Wash., 5-31-38. Resides—Kirkland, Wash. Married—Beverly Anderson, 11-25-61. Children—Tracey Lynn, Allison Rae and Kenneth Tyrrell. Ht.—6'2". Wt.—195. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—From St. Louis for George Culver, 11-5-69.

PITCHING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | GS | CG | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ShO | W-L | ERA |
|------------------|--------------|-----|-----|----|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|
| 1960 | Rochester | 18 | 16 | 2 | 91 | 85 | 51 | 45 | 39 | 69 | 0 | 5-4 | 4.45 |
| 1961 | Charleston | 30 | 26 | 12 | 181 | 160 | 60 | 47 | 55 | 115 | 4 | 16-9 | 2.34 |
| 1961 | St. Louis | 3 | 2 | 1 | 20 | 10 | 4 | 4 | 7 | 12 | 0 | 1-1 | 1.80 |
| 1962 | St. Louis | 34 | 25 | 2 | 176 | 187 | 90 | 80 | 58 | 109 | 1 | 12-9 | 4.09 |
| 1963 | Tulsa | 4 | 4 | 0 | 15 | 20 | 13 | 13 | 4 | 12 | 0 | 1-1 | 7.63 |
| 1963 | St. Louis | 11 | 11 | 4 | 64 | 50 | 25 | 22 | 14 | 47 | 2 | 5-3 | 3.08 |
| 1964 | Jacksonville | 2 | 2 | 1 | 16 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 15 | 1 | 1-0 | 1.13 |
| 1964 | St. Louis | 15 | 10 | 0 | 60 | 60 | 57 | 48 | 28 | 67 | 0 | 3-4 | 3.62 |
| 1965 | St. Louis | 28 | 16 | 1 | 119 | 114 | 29 | 27 | 17 | 28 | 1 | 9-11 | 4.05 |
| 1966 | St. Louis | 27 | 26 | 4 | 170 | 183 | 75 | 71 | 44 | 98 | 1 | 11-9 | 3.76 |
| 1967 | St. Louis | 27 | 27 | 3 | 186 | 190 | 78 | 73 | 42 | 98 | 1 | 10-7 | 3.53 |
| 1968 | St. Louis | 31 | 30 | 8 | 215 | 191 | 67 | 54 | 47 | 124 | 4 | 14-8 | 2.26 |
| 1969 | St. Louis | 28 | 16 | 2 | 132 | 133 | 59 | 45 | 49 | 80 | 0 | 3-8 | 3.07 |
| Major Lg. Totals | | 204 | 163 | 25 | 1142 | 1118 | 484 | 424 | 306 | 663 | 10 | 68-60 | 3.34 |

Saves: 1969—1

IF WILLIAM FREDERICK WOODWARD (6)

Born—Miami, Fla., 9-23-42. Resides—Tallahassee, Fla. Married—Pamela Terrell, 10-7-66. Children—Natalie Eileen. Ht.—6'2". Wt.—185. Bats—Right. Throws—Right. Acquired—From Atlanta with Tony Cloninger and Clay Carroll for Milt Pappas, Ted Davidson and Bob Johnson, 6-11-68.

PLAYING RECORD

| Year | Club | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | SB | BB | SO | Pct. |
|------------------|-------------|-----|------|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|------|
| 1963 | Denver | 89 | 324 | 36 | 80 | 20 | 5 | 5 | 37 | 4 | 14 | 72 | .247 |
| 1963 | Milwaukee | 10 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| 1964 | Milwaukee | 77 | 115 | 18 | 24 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 6 | 28 | .209 |
| 1965 | Atlanta | 37 | 139 | 14 | 34 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 16 | 0 | 6 | 21 | .245 |
| 1965 | Milwaukee | 112 | 265 | 17 | 55 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 11 | 2 | 10 | 50 | .208 |
| 1966 | Atlanta | 144 | 455 | 46 | 120 | 23 | 3 | 0 | 43 | 2 | 37 | 54 | .264 |
| 1967 | Atlanta | 136 | 429 | 30 | 97 | 15 | 2 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 37 | 51 | .226 |
| 1968 | Atl.-Cinti. | 68 | 143 | 15 | 33 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 2 | 8 | 29 | .231 |
| 1969 | Cincinnati | 97 | 241 | 36 | 63 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 3 | 24 | 40 | .261 |
| Major Lg. Totals | | 644 | 1650 | 163 | 392 | 62 | 10 | 0 | 116 | 9 | 122 | 252 | .238 |



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